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BIRTH

GUILLAUME.—On April 15, 1940, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, to Baron and Baronness J. Guillaume, a daughter, BEATRICE.

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CARD

Le Colonel and Madame HENRY CASSEVILLE,

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CONSULAR ORDINANCE No. 158

We, Marcel Baudez, Consul-General for France in Shanghai, Officer of the Legion of Honour,

In consideration of Article 2 of Consular Ordinance No. 78 of February 19, 1940,

In consideration of the decision of the Committee to Control the Prices of Daily Necessaries of Life, taken on April 4, 1940.

Have ordered and do order:

ARTICLE I.—The present Ordinance shall apply to all merchants selling by retail the products mentioned in the annexed list.

ARTICLE II.—These merchants must affix outside their shops or at a point readable from the public footpath, an extract from their current price list of provisions that are daily necessaries of life sold by their shops.

The list of prices posted up must be either in the French or English language; in the case of merchants who have dealings with Chinese or Russian clients, a second list, in Chinese or Russian, may be posted up by the side of the first list.

ARTICLE III.—The goods exposed for sale on the inside or outside of the shop must bear a tag indicating the retail sale price of the goods (per kilogramme, per piece, per dozen, per litre, etc.). These prices must be marked in Arabic figures and must not be less than 3 cm. in size.

ARTICLE IV.—The first infraction of the present Ordinance will be dealt with by a warning being given.

Further infractions will be punished by a fine ranging from $1 to $500.

Withdrawal of licence may be ordered after conviction by the Consul-General.

ARTICLE V.—The warnings and the convictions or sentences delivered by virtue of the preceding Article may be published by poster or by an insertion in the newspapers through the medium of the Consular Police.

ARTICLE VI.—Articles 13 and 14 of Consular Ordinance No. 34 of January 29, 1940 will be applicable in the case of the posters issued by virtue of the present Ordinance.

ARTICLE VII.—The Director of Police Service will undertake the enforcement of the present Ordinance.

MARCEL BAUDEZ,
Consul General for France.

Shanghai, April 12, 1940.

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HARBOUR NOTIFICATION No. 3 of 1940.

Weather Signals: Denoting the state of weather at the Pilot Boat Station, Yangtsze Entrance: Exhibition of, on the Semaphore Tower.

With reference to Harbour Notification No. 2 of 1939, notifying the public of the exhibition of signals denoting the state of weather at the Pilot Boat Station, Yangtsze Entrance, daily, from 11.00 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. at the top of the Semaphore Tower, French Bund, Notice is hereby given that, beginning from April 17, 1940, additional similar signals will be exhibited daily at 4.30 p.m. denoting the state of weather at the Pilot Boat Station at 4.00 p.m.

P. I. TIRBAK,
Acting Harbour Master.

Harbour Master's Office,
Shanghai, April 16, 1940.

Approved:
L. H. LAWFORD,
Commissioner of Customs.

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SAEY KEE WAREHOUSE
No. 796, North Soochow Road

Fire March 27, 1940

Tenders for Cotton Salvage ex the above warehouse

Tenders are called for the purchase of cotton salved from the above fire as it now lies at this warehouse. There are in all 11 lots of fire damaged loose cotton which will be offered for sale.

Sealed tenders must be lodged at the office of the *Manager, Tai Ping Insurance Co., Ltd., 212, Kiangse Road,* not later than 10.00 a.m. on Friday, April 19, 1940. The sale is subject to specific conditions particulars of which are obtainable from the undersigned.

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To-day's Events

APRIL

17 Ratepayers' Mtg, Race Club Stand, 2.30
17 M. Paci and his 3 Pupils (Pianists) 4 Piano-Concertos with Orchestra, Lyceum, 9.15
17 Formosa, Pescadores and Liaotung ceded to Japan (1895)
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With reference to the Circular to Members dated April 9, unless unforseen circumstances arise, the film will definitely be shown at the Cathay Theatre at 7.45 p.m. and 9.45 p.m. on April 23. More than half the seats available have already been sold and Members are urged to send in their applications immediately.

Members who require dinner or supper at the French Club are also requested to inform the Secretary of the Society, not later than Friday, April 19 at noon.

Dress for both performances and the French Club afterwards Dinner Jacket.

PRESIDENT.

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THE SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.
(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-first Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company on Thursday the ninth day of May 1940 at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of transacting the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the same place and on the same day at eleven o'clock in the forenoon or so soon afterwards as the Ordinary General Meeting shall be concluded an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as a Special Resolution:

"That the Articles of Association be altered in manner following:

(a) The following Article shall be substituted for Article 20:
'20. For every certificate other than the certificate issued on allotment the Company shall be entitled to charge such sum as the Board may from time to time determine.'

(b) The following Article shall be substituted for Article 39:
'39. A fee of such amount as the Board may from time to time determine may be charged for each transfer and shall if required by the Board be paid before the registration thereof. A similar fee may be charged on the registration of any other document.'"

The Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 26th April 1940 to 9th May 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Dated: April 16, 1940.

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JAVA CHINA TRADING COMPANY, LTD.

EXTRA-ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 10 a.m. at the offices of the company at 150 Kiukiang Road.

AGENDA:—

(1) Annual report of the management.
(2) Discussion and approval of balance sheet and profit and loss account.
(3) Proposal to increase the authorized capital of the company to N. Glds. 250,000.- of which N.Glds.100,000.- to be fully paid up.
(4) Election of officers of the company.
(5) And what may further be brought before the meeting.

By order.

N.V. JAVA CHINA HANDELMAATSCHAPPIJ

Buitengewone algemeene jaarvergadering van aandeelhouders op Donderdag 18 April 1940, des voormiddags te 10 ure ten kantore der Vennootschap, 150 Kiukiang Road.

AGENDA:

(1) Jaarverslag van de Directie.
(2) Behandeling en goedkeuring van de balans en de winst- en verliesrekening.
(3) Voorstel tot vergrooting van het maatschappelijk kapitaal tot F. 250.000.- waarvan F. 100.000.- volgestort.
(4) Verkiezing van een directie.
(5) En wat verder ter tafel zal worden gebracht.

Op last.

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THE SEMAMBU RUBBER ESTATES, LTD.
(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-Seventh Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Wednesday, April 17, 1940 at 11.45 a.m. for the following purposes:—

To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1939, to declare a dividend, to elect a Director and Auditors and to transact any other ordinary business.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 11 to April 17, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

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Shanghai, April 4, 1940.

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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 20 to April 29, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. A. WATTIE & CO., LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, April 16, 1940.

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THE SHANGHAI-MALAY RUBBER ESTATES, LTD.
(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances, Hongkong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirtieth Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Monday, April 29, 1940 at noon for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1939, declaring a dividend, electing a Director and Auditors and transacting any other ordinary business.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from April 20 to April 29, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. A. WATTIE & CO., LTD.,
Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, April 16, 1940.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following sub-delivery orders:—

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The Entrance Examinations to the Lester School (Junior) and the Henry Lester Institute, of which particulars may be obtained from the undersigned, will be held during May. Forms of application must be submitted not later than May 10.

PART-TIME DEPARTMENTS

Information relating to the opening of the Evening Schools will be issued early in September: applications for admission are not yet required.

A. E. THORNTON,
Acting Principal.

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NOTICE

A quantity of cargo accepted for shipment at owner's risk from Shanghai to ports on the Yangtsze above Nanking at the end of 1937 was shut in at Kowan and is now on storage in the China Navigation Company's hulks "Shah" and "Khedive" at that port. Owners of this cargo are requested to register their title with Messrs. Butterfield & Swire at 21-23 French Bund, Shanghai in order that arrangements can be made for the disposal of it, and are notified that failing such registration before 15th May 1940 the Company reserves the right to dispose of the cargo as it sees fit without compensation.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents, China Navigation Co., Ltd.

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NOTICE

The under-mentioned cargo accepted for export from Chinkiang at the end of 1937 was shut in at Kowan and is now on storage there in the China Navigation Company's hulk "Khedive". Owing to deterioration in the condition of the goods, it has become necessary to dispose of them and the owners are requested to communicate with Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21-23 French Bund, Shanghai before 15th May 1940 failing which the cargo will be disposed of as the Company may think best, without compensation.

SA 100 bags Wheat.

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Agents, China Navigation Co., Ltd.

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CHINA YEAR BOOK

A few copies of the China Year Book (out of print for the past few months) have been returned to us from London and America and are now on sale, price $40, postage 40 cents extra in China and Japan. Address to the Publishers, "North-China Daily News & Herald, Limited," 17 The Bund, Shanghai.

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Owing to the greatly-increased cost of all expenses, Goods received or stored in Cold Storages, as from May 1st. 1940, will be effected at the following rates:—

No. 1. A. Class: (1) Fresh Fruits, Beans, Melons, Candies, Dry Fruits, Imported Salt Fishes, Tallow and Lard, Wax, Cheese, Canned Goods, Wine and Spirits, @ L. C. $0.014 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month, (see clause 11).
(2) Fresh Vegetables, Dry Native Goods, Dry Sea Products, Tobacco, Dry Fishes and Shrimps. @ L. C. $0.018 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).
(3) Dry Litchi and Dry Longan, Chinese Medicines. @ L. C. $0.022 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).
(4) Shark Fins, Dry Mushrooms, Dry Frogs and Dry Seaweed. @ L. C. $0.03 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).

No. 2. B. Class: Butter, Margarine and imported Ham and Bacon in original cases @ L. C. $0.018 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11)

No. 3. C. Class: Beef, Mutton, Pork, Ham, Bacon, Salted Meat, Lard, and any goods packed in cases @ L. C. $0.02 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).

No. 4. D. Class: Poultry, Game and their Offal. For First month, @ L. C. $0.03 per S. C. Catty gross. (see clause 11) For Extended month @ L. C. $0.02 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month.

No. 5. E. Class: (1) Fresh Fish of all descriptions, Shell Fish, Intestines and Offal and miscellaneous goods. For First month, @ L. C. $0.03 per S. C. Catty gross. (see clause 11). For Extended month, @ L. C. $0.02 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month.
(2) Fresh Prawns, Lobsters and Shrimps. For First month, @ L. C. $0.04 per S. C. Catty gross.(see clause 11). For Extended month @ L. C. $0.03 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month.

No. 6. F. Class: Salted Pigs, Native Salted Meat, Salted Fishes, Salted Shrimps and Salted Crabs in baskets or barrels @ L. C. $0.012 per S. C. Catty gross for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).

No. 7. G. Class: Imported and Native Oranges in original cases (at weight about 80 to 85 S. C. Catties) @ L. C. $0.95 per case for any period up to end of current month. Imported and Native Apples, Pears and Grapes in big cases (at weight about 45 to 50 S. C. Catties) @ L. C. $0.55 per case for any period up to end of current month. Imported and Native Grapes in small cases (at weight about 35 S. C. Catties) @ L. C. $0.46 per case for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11). (The rate of this class is only good for the original case in fixed weight, otherwise it will be charged at the A. class rate.)

No. 8. H. Class: (1) Ginseng, Korean Ginseng, Swallow Nest, all kinds of Valuable Medicines, Furs, Woollen, Carpets and Rugs are charged by measurement @ L. C. $16.00 per cubic meter for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).
(2) Long Fur Coat @ L. C. $3.50 per coat, Short Fur Coat @ L. C. $2.00 per coat and Fur Scarf @ L. C. $1.50 per piece per month or part of a month.

No. 9. I. Class: Salt Water Tank (for salt meat) @ L. C. $8.00 per piece for any period up to end of current month. (see clause 11).

No. 10. Goods not enumerated above will be stored, subject to the nearest classification and temperature at rates to be arranged.

No. 11. GOODS DELIVERED TO OUR STORAGE AFTER 15th DAY OF THE MONTH WILL BE CHARGED FOR AT HALF ABOVE RATES FOR ANY PERIOD UP TO END OF SAME MONTH.

No. 12. Rates are chargeable from 1st. day of month in which cargo is received.

No. 13. All Transhipment Goods will be charged at weekly rates as follows:
Goods stored in Frozen Room (temperature 0° to 10° F.) @ L. C. $0.012 per S. C. Catty gross per week or part of a week.
Goods stored in Chilled Room (temperature 32° to 40° F.) @ L. C. $0.01 per S. C. Catty gross per week or part of a week.

No. 14. Fresh Hen Eggs and Duck Eggs will be charged at 10-day rates as follows:
Note: (one current month is divided into 3 periods, i.e. from 1st to 10th one period, 11th to 20th one period, and 21st to end of the month one period.)
Cased Eggs (at weight about 55 to 65 S. C. Catties) @ L. C. $0.30 per case per period or part of a period. For extended periods, @ L. C. $0.20 per case per period or part of a period.
Basket Eggs (at weight about 75 to 80 S. C. Catties) @ L. C. $0.38 per basket per period or part of a period. For extended periods. @ L. C. $0.25 per basket per period or part of a period.

No. 15. Bonded Cold Storage charge, subject to the approval of Customs, rates to be arranged.

(THIS TARIFF CANCELS ALL PREVIOUS ISSUES.)

THE COLD STORAGE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI

April 16, 1940.

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RATEPAYERS MEETING

at

Public Stand—Shanghai Race Club

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Correspondence for this column should be addressed to the Editor, North-China Daily News Office, 17 The Bund, Shanghai, and to ensure secrecy, marked "Letters to the Editor."

Today's Meeting:

Mr. R. L. Stewart's Question

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I should be greatly obliged if you would permit me to state that I propose to ask two or three questions at the annual meeting of ratepayers tomorrow. As the acoustics of the Race Course are at present an unknown quantity, it may happen that some ratepayers present might be unable to hear the questions, so for their information I append the questions:

(1) I observe on page 310 of the annual report that the accounts have been certified correct by two firms of chartered accountants.

Will the council please state, if the municipal advocate and the council's legal advisers are likewise prepared to advise and certify that:

a. All expenditures for the year, as shown by the accounts, are legally authorized under the terms of the Land Regulations, and

b. That all the acts of council during the year likewise are similarly authorized?

(2) Why has the long-established practice of printing the list of electors present at annual meetings not been followed in the section of the current annual report covering the last annual meeting?

(3) If all the electors had attended this present meeting, what would be the total number of votes represented?

(4) The graph alongside indicates the increase in the council's ordinary expenditure of 1938 over 1937, 1939 over 1938 and 1940 over 1939, the latter amount being $14,000,000. The projection of the curve would indicate that the further increase in expenditure for 1941 over 1940 normally can be expected to be $20,000,000 which would mean a budget of $70,000,000 as compared with $27,000,000 in 1936, and surcharges on Rates and Licences increased to 100 per cent.

It is understood that the council is endeavouring to reduce expenses, but in view of the trend indicated above and the much lower rates and costs in the French Concession, will the council please state whether the current expenditure at the rate of $50,000,000 per annum for the present curtailed municipal services, is likely to be reduced or increased in 1940 and if so by what amount?

This question is asked in view of the claim publicly made that 80 per cent. of the Chinese residents of the Settlement earn less than Sh.$50 per month and 70 per cent. of the foreign and Japanese residents earn less than Sh.$150 per month.

Robert L. Stewart.

Shanghai, Apr. 16.

Les Girls Again:

How to Reform

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—If we want to remove an evil, the best thing to do is to remove its root. And if we want to get rid of the evils of smoking and face-painting—and they are evils!—we must do the same. Let us analyse the root of smoking. It is, to put it into a nutshell, vanity. When a boy thinks he is a man—mostly a sheer misconception of manliness—he wants to test his new dignity. And as he has no other chance (or may I say no other ability?) to prove his claim, he turns to smoking. He is fully convinced that, when he strolls along, proud like a peacock, with a bunch of glimmering tobacco in his mouth, nobody could ever doubt that this bit of a would-be man is a masterpiece of the male sex, and that no girl could see him without becoming crazy for him immediately. Though the first steps in the smoking-career have the undesirable effect of a vomitive, never mind. With an energy worthy of higher objectives he refuses to give up, and after some time it has become an incurable vice.

And the female sex: They think, if they would not imitate every mischief and nonsense of their male colleagues, they would miss something of their equality of rights. But in their case the matter is much worse: smoke cannot do much harm to the beauty of a man (only few of us look like Bob Taylor), but the ladies call themselves the *beau sexe*, and they really are. But how disastrous is stinking smoke to the charm and loveliness of their faces. I would advise them: stop smoking and leave this stupid habit to your male comrades!

And as for face-painting: The motive is simply this: A shopkeeper makes every effort to arrange his shop-window in a most attractive manner in order to allure customers. And a girl paints her lips and her cheeks, and—goodness knows what else, to make her face operate as a fly-catcher. Some women disfigure their faces to such an extent that some husband, when he gets home unexpectedly and finds his wife without the usual make-up, thinks he has entered the wrong flat.

But I never heard a man say that he liked painted faces or nails and all this kind of modern self-advertising. All men agree that nothing in the world is more delightful and attractive than the fresh natural beauty of a girl, unspoiled by artificial means. And should a girl be less beautiful—forgive me the insolent assumption—I am sure that painting is the least effective remedy for that defect.

Also in this case my advise is: Girls, stop painting and be as you are. And, you may rest assured, we shall love you more than ever.

Expert.

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

The Bund:

Elevated Car Parks Wanted

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Now that the atmosphere has somewhat cleared and the Municipal vote is a passed event, perchance one may use the medium of your popular correspondence column to convey a suggestion without selling land or running lotteries.

The Bund foreshore offers an opportunity for improvement without expenditure which could be utilized and later be a source of income to the S.M.C. To erect two reinforced concrete elevated car parks, say 150 x 40 x 15, entrance and exit North and South. The cost of erection could be covered by concession to prominent oil or car company for installation of gas and oil pumps and servicing of cars, a monthly S.M.C. revenue could be derived for parking cars in safety.

If erected, it would clear an already crowded Bund of parked cars, minimize traffic accidents, do away with petty car thefts, the underneath part would offer protection from the elements for passengers, cargo etc., landing on the Bund, in fact a further revenue could be collected for cargoes stored in safety awaiting transportation in co-operation with the Customs.

Us on a Bus.

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

Bus Fares:

The Latest Increase

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—It is a downright shame that the Council should approve an increase of 45 per cent. in the bus fares, especially during these hard times and when taxes are about to be increased and surcharges and cost of living are soaring. If I remember rightly, you indicated in your columns some weeks ago that the Bus Company did not contemplate any increase in fares.

This increase is simply putting another nail in the poor man's coffin, and, unless something is done in the immediate future to curtail increases of this sort, surcharges, etc., I see a lot of these unfortunates headed for the Whangpoo.

The proclamation published in this morning's issue of your paper is only a waste of time and will benefit no one as the prices of commodities have already soared to such a height that the profiteers can go ahead and comply with this regulation and still make a handsome profit. Moreover, few if any individuals will care to report to the police.

Hard Hit.

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

A Man's Stature:

How Can it be Increased?

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I should be very grateful if any reader of your paper could tell me through your columns the recipe for making a grown man two or three inches taller without doing any harm to the body either physically or mentally.

There is another thing which annoys me very much and that is I can never sleep well in the night. Since a sound sleep is essential to the maintenance of good health I am very anxious to have advice from your readers.

Marke Mien-nan.

Shanghai, Apr. 15.

Radio Tactics:

The Question of Jamming

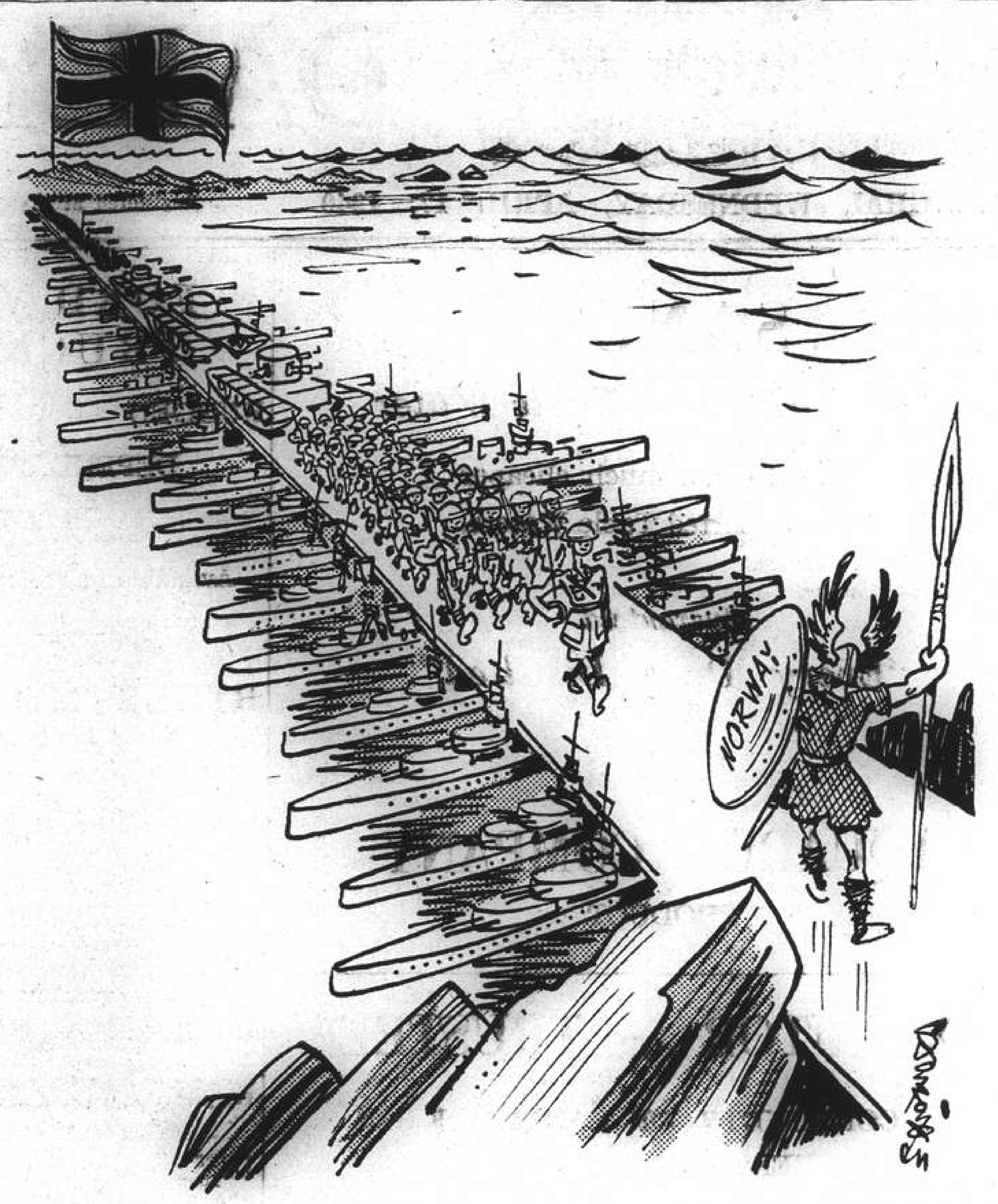
To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—You will no doubt be sorry to hear that the Japanese did succeed in spoiling our Sunday afternoon Symphony Concert—but they cannot jam our gramophone—neither can they jam our bread. When beaten in argument always resort to

Force.

Shanghai, Apr. 14.

***A True Austrian and Admirer of Great Britain:—Your letters can neither be published nor replied to unless accompanied by your name and address which need not be printed.—Ed.



The Viking's Great Grandsons Return

BY SAPAJOU

Protection Move Just Possible

Dutch Scoff at Idea of Asking Aid to N.E.I. From Any Other Powers

London, Apr. 16.

While British official circles declined to comment today on the possibility of placing the Netherlands East Indies under British military protection, well-informed circles here regarded such action as likely in the event of a German invasion of the Low Countries.

In the event Germany should march into the Netherlands, they pointed out, Holland would automatically become an ally of France and Great Britain, making it conceivable that the latter would extend their assistance to the Netherlands' colonial possessions should these face a German threat.

The likelihood of the United States placing the N.E.I. in their custody was minimized by these circles who pointed out that such a step would not be taken by President Roosevelt unless he abandoned his policy of neutrality in the present European conflict.—Domei.

Batavia Buildings Guarded

Batavia, Apr. 16.

Military guards were mounted over all public buildings as well as important public utilities here today.

Officials explained that their action was farewell to that taken by the authorities in Holland where precautions were being taken because of tension on the Dutch-Nazi border.

Trading circles reflected the uneasiness prevalent here with heavy forward purchases of United States dollars and Japanese yen featuring transactions.

A strong desire to preserve the strict neutrality adopted by The Hague government since the outbreak of the hostilities in Europe seven months ago prevailed among the officials and the population of Batavia, a canvass of opinion here revealed.

Official pronouncements on the subject, however, were not available for publication.

Predominating was the hope that the Netherlands would not become involved in the conflict. However, in the event that the home country should go to war against Germany, as a consequence of a German invasion of the Netherlands, it was hoped that the East Indies would be able to restrict the scope of their involvement in actual warfare, being thereby spared the ravages of war.

No Request Likely

Hollanders here scoffed at the idea that the Netherlands would request another Power to protect its Far Eastern possessions, pointing out that such a step would run counter to the innate sense of independence and self-reliance of the Dutch.

Britain or the United States, they pointed out, could not place the Netherlands East Indies under their protection unless a request to that effect were made by The Hague.

The Netherlands East Indies, authoritative sources here said, would remain Dutch territory with the administration carried on by the Governor-General under emergency powers granted him, even should communications between Batavia and The Hague be interrupted because of an invasion of Holland.—Domei.

Foreigners Arrested In Britain

London, Apr. 15.

A number of foreigners were interned yesterday under the Emergency Powers Regulations. The authorities have not yet revealed the reasons for the measure taken.—Havas.

Seventy Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News" of April 17, 1870

From Tientsin:—The weather is still very cold, and we have lately had a good deal of rain for this dry region. Two days ago, I saw ice ⅛ inch thick, the produce of a single night. Further news quite confirms the serious nature of the defeat lately experienced by the Imperialists in Shense.

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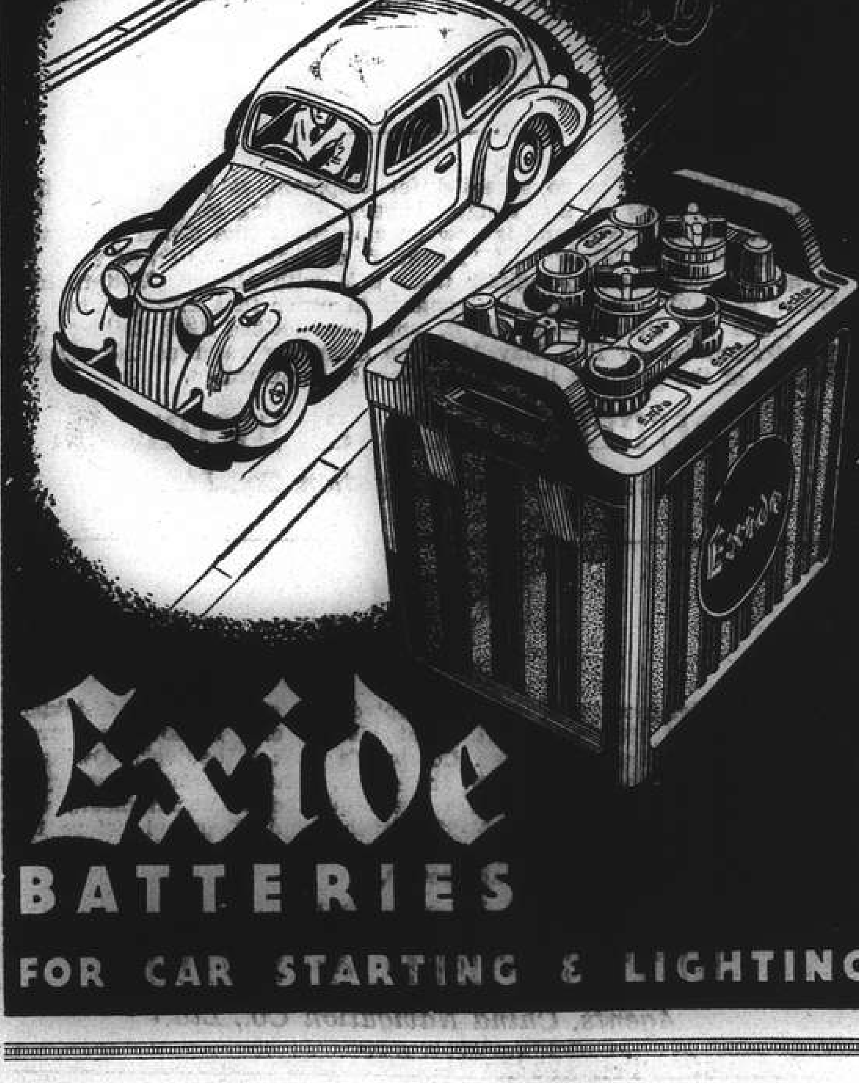
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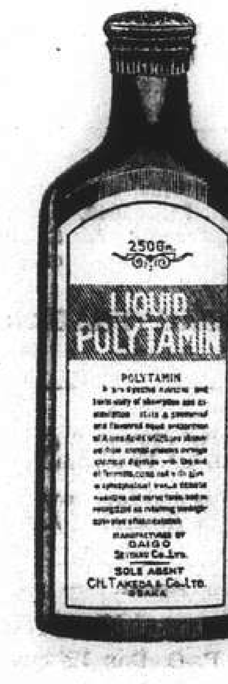

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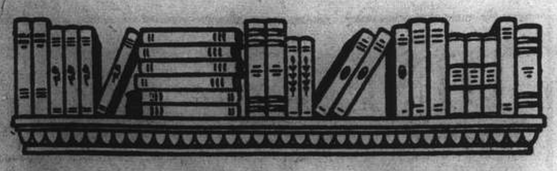

THE BOOK PAGE

Out of His Own Mouth

HITLER SPEAKS A Series of Political Conversations with Adolf Hitler on his Real Aims. By Hermann Rauschning. Thornton Butterworth, London. 10/6.

If any doubts still remain in the minds of anyone as to what manner of man the real Hitler is, they will speedily be dispelled by a perusal of Dr. Hermann Rauschning's book "Hitler Speaks." This is an amazing record of Hitler's confidential talks with his inner circle and written at first hand by one who participated in many of such talks and to whom Hitler, more perhaps than to any other, "opened up" and allowed, not mere glimpses, but whole vistas of his ghastly, brutal, vicious thoughts and ideas to slip out. It carries conviction and must indubitably fill the reader with the utmost horror and disgust. Hitler's published speeches and his book "Mein Kampf" would, it might be thought, have given something more than a clue to the real man, but it seems that even such vainglorious and viperish outpourings both spoken and written fall far short of disclosing the profound callousness, brutality and meanness of the monster who controls Germany's destinies today.

"Brutality is Respected"

The book under review is written by one who for years was on intimate terms with Hitler and records the gist and in many instances the actual terms of conversations which took place in the innermost circles of Nazidom. The author took pains to make notes immediately after his informal meetings with Hitler and his henchmen, and for the most part has not had to rely upon his recollection extended over any lengthened period. Quotations galore could be extracted from the book which more than justify what is written above or even stronger language. The horrors of the concentration camps mean nothing to him. He has given his chosen agents, Himmler and others, a free hand to inflict the utmost callous brutalities they can devise. The writer records a case where Hitler's attention was called to a particularly filthy and beastly instance at Setlin, where vile things had been done to completely innocent men of good standing in an unmistakable enjoyment of brutality for its own sake. Far from being indignant at the horrible excesses of his own men on his own countrymen, Hitler "roundly abused those who made a fuss about these trivial matters." "Why babble about brutality and be indignant about tortures—brutality is respected—the masses want it."

Besides his self-revealing attitude towards brutality, there are other aspects of the Fuehrer's character and make-up which are no less clearly defined. In the author's words:

> Most loathesome of all is the reeking miasma of furtive unnatural sexuality that fills and fouls the whole atmosphere round him, like an evil emanation. Nothing in this environment is straightforward. Surreptitious relationships, substitutes and symbols, false sentiments and secret lusts—nothing in this man's surroundings is natural and genuine—nothing has the openness of a natural instinct.

All That Matters

But there is another and far more important matter to be gleaned from Hitler's own utterances, viz., his real aims and ambitions vis-à-vis the world. It is clear that both in and outside Germany, National Socialism, as Hitler means the term, has been and is to a great extent still misunderstood. It means world domination by brute force. Over and over again in his intimate talks Hitler emphasizes that all that matters in the world is force—religion, conscience, humanity are nothing. Rule by fear and force is his creed, and stick at nothing—nothing—the breaking of treaties, the murder of all who oppose, the slaughter of innocents, crime. Nothing must be allowed to stand in his way.

In one recorded conversation Hitler says:

> If you no longer have the strength to rule by means of force and are too humane to give orders, then it's time to resign. Britain will yet regret her softness. It will cost her her Empire. A new empire can never arise otherwise than by blood and iron—by a firm will and brutal force.

"The Apocalyptic Riders"

Convicted out of his own mouth, Hitler stands forth as the embodiment of all that is foul and vindictive, pagan and brutal—anti-Christ personified. His hatred of Great Britain has been intensified a hundredfold by his having misled himself into believing that she would not fight. He can't forgive her for that.

Hitler's foreign policy of today is not a matter of recent decision—it was all foreshadowed as long ago as 1933-34 and it will be carried through without regard to any decencies, legal or moral. Today the world should be prepared to accept the truth: that Hitler and his movement are the apocalyptic riders of world annihilation. Seldom before have the innermost workings of a man in the position of the Fuehrer been so pitilessly exposed as in "Hitler Speaks." Everyone should read it.—R.F.C.M.

Emphasis on Character

EAST VERSUS WEST A Denial of Contrast. By P. Konanda Rao (Servants of India Society). Foreword by S. Radhakrishnan. Allen & Unwin, London. 10/6.

Every schoolboy knows that East is East and West is West and never the twain shall meet. But thanks to schoolboy declamations his thought has been led a little farther and he is aware of a way out of the dilemma:

> But there is neither East nor West, border nor breed nor birth,
> When two strong men stand face to face, though they come from the ends of the earth.

"East Versus West", by Mr. P. Konanda Rao, of the Servants of India Society, presents the same theme, but in a much more academic manner. His subtitle, "A Denial of Contrast", tells the reader at the start to what conclusion the book will come.

Kipling's approach to the subject, condensed into a few lines, is characteristically Western. The meeting point of East and West is in strong character, and the assumption is implicit that such character is found in the West, not always in the East. So Sir Valentine Chirol, quoted by Mr. Rao:

> If one seeks to define what the Orient chiefly lacks, and has always lacked, it is the practice of freedom with the sense of responsibility, or in other words, character.

The reviewer's only fault found with Mr. Rao's book is that he does not meet this alleged difference with enough energy. He reminds us in comment that "the Occident" is not all "character" and "democracy" But this is not enough. There should be more affirmation of Eastern character and the positive qualities of the East.

Influence of Race

This rather persistent Western emphasis upon character is often connected with the idea of race, a relatively unchanging influence. And it must be remarked that Mr. Rao's whole contention is that race is an influence of increasingly less importance in our modern world, as indeed is the whole physical environment. "Today the whole world is a unit for the diffusion of culture." The contrast, as he defines it, is not between a static "unchanging" East and an ever-changing West, but between a comparatively static past and a dynamic present both in the East and the West.

> Civilization is one and indivisible into Eastern or Western; its elements are a function ever of time but never of race.

In practical application of the principles developed, Mr. Rao remarks:

> India is denied self-government of the democratic type on the ground that India is an Oriental country, and a correlation is presumed between Oriental peoples and autocratic rule, and between Occidentals and democracy. There is not such correlation, and hence no justification for the denial of democracy to India.

In similar manner he takes up the exclusion of Orientals from the British Dominions and the United States of America "on the ground largely of difference in the standards of living."

> It is not true, however, that a race has a standard of living...Economic ills need economic remedies and not racial ones.

Values Upset

It would be easy to object to such criticisms of state policy in the two matters thus cited, but it is better that the criticisms be understood and appreciated. Eastern civilization is visibly undergoing a vast transformation under the impact of the West; but the West itself is all the time learning a new respect for Eastern civilization.

Mr. Rao has summarized in his various chapters the views of many of the anthropologists, ethnologists and other writers on the subject of the races, cultures and other influences of the East and West. He gives a full chapter to the views of Dr. Hu Shih on the changing influences of modern China; how in China "all the values have been turned upside-down." As all who live in China today well perceive.—D.R.

Hero's Progress

OTHER GODS An American Legend. By Pearl S. Buck. Special authorized edition. Kelly & Walsh, Shanghai (By arrangement with the author and the publisher, John Day Co., New York) Sh$6.50.

One cannot judge a novel by Pearl Buck without its background. Always over a book by her there rises the thought of "The Good Earth." And now to this has been added another yard-stick—the Nobel Prize in literature. It is unfortunate that Pearl Buck's novels of the American scene cannot bear comparison with her Chinese novels. "Other Gods" shows the technique of story-telling polished to a fine degree; but the book is another illustration of the fact that brilliance of craftsmanship cannot take the place of subject matter and inner conviction. The novel has not been saved from running thin by a meticulously written dedication to all those who have suffered at the hands of the crowd.

Mrs. Buck has made a great effort to show living and vital characters. But they do not live. Both Kit and Bert are unsubstantial. If this were all, one could not judge the book severely, but the characters are definitely stupid, foolish and weak.

A Polished Shell

Briefly the story is this. Kit Tallant, travelling in Peking, meets Bert Holm returning to America after a seemingly gallant achievement in mountain climbing. Disappointed in love, Kit is attracted by the simplicity, the physical beauty of Bert and marries him. Bert's waning career as American hero is revived by another expedition to India, and crushing down all human values his publicity agent and Kit keep Bert a polished shell for popular adulation.

Kit seems to have everything to make her a fine, warm character, yet she is not. Her sensitiveness becomes snobbishness; her childish expectancy and faith become a hardened cynicism to fool and destroy others. Her superficial judgment traps her at the end.

Verdict not Sustained

Bert Holm, a fool, albeit a handsome fool, is oversimplified. The author says of him that he "in one careless act of heroism ruined his life." But her story does not sustain her verdict. It was not heroism he showed—that is a quality of spirit which is instinct in one's life. Bert Holm is not a "careless hero" (a contradiction in terms); he is essentially the man he shows himself to be on the second expedition — selfish, treacherous, callous and unthinking. This is Pearl Buck's other god. Yet Kit Tallant with "comprehension suddenly as vast as the universe" gives up her faith and joins the rest in fooling the public. One is brought to the conclusion that saying things are simple does not make them so, saying an action is great does not make it so.

Perhaps the best explanation for this story is that it was written for a woman's magazine (although it is interesting to note that Mrs. Buck's more daring departures in the psychology of sex were omitted from the magazine version.)

The reviewer would like to commend the foresight of American publishers in authorizing special editions for the China trade. If more firms would follow this practice the pirated book trade would be less flourishing.—F.M.R.

Such as are thy habitual thoughts, such also will be the character of thy mind; for the soul is dyed by the thoughts.—MARCUS AURELIUS.

Australian War Finances

Spending More Nation Nevertheless Will Not Feel Drain So Much

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Brisbane, Mar. 5.

While Australia will spend more on her war efforts this time than she did in 1914-18 the country will not suffer as much economically as before. Less dislocation of productive effort, a smaller reduction of income per head and a less serious effect on the present standards of living will occur, according to the Queensland Bureau of Industry in an economic comparison of 1914 and 1940, just made public.

Forecasts continue as follows: Australia, out of an income of £900,000,000 is likely to spend £70,000,000 this year, which is not quite 8 per cent. In 1914-1919, war expenditure was £345,000,000 which was a good 14 per cent. of aggregate income for the period. More than half of that amount was borrowed from England and of the remainder a considerable portion was met by direct taxation or by the loan of genuine savings. The only part of the 1914-18 expenditure which served to depress current real incomes in Australia was that raised by indirect taxation or by credit creation.

This time there will be borrowing from England. On the other hand, till now, Australia has been able to finance part of the war expenditure through the creation of bank credit, by the existence only of a small remainder of unemployment. This process is not one that can be long continued. A reduction of available real income per head in Australia seems consequential but not so great a reduction as in the last war.

Britain today is granting considerable wage increases which makes great inflation in that country inevitable. It also means that the prices of British imports to Australia will rise rapidly.

Matters of Credit

Australia can assist Britain's war effort in one of the best possible way—by consenting to pay high prices for imports from Britain while receiving comparatively low prices for her own exports. There are however limits for this. Considerable rises in British prices will necessitate some inflation in prices and money incomes in Australia too. The only way to moderate this inflation would be to raise the exchange value of the Australian pound.

Already prices have risen. Figures for Brisbane show that retail prices between August 1939 and February 1940 have gone up 2.6 per cent. The last war not only withdrew from production in Australia 310,000 men or 16 per cent. of the whole labour force but it also progressively reduced the productive power per head of those who remained by 15 per cent.

This reduction was due to:—

Disorganization caused by lack of imported materials and equipment.

The necessity for uneconomic wartime production of certain goods.

Blockage of shipments of wheat and other bulky exports.

Australian Light Horse

The extensive use of horses by British cavalry units in Palestine has aroused great discussion among Australian officers there, many of whom believe that Australia should send Light Horse units to join the second Australian Imperial Force.

Australian officers declare they are certain that the inclusion of Light Horse in the 2nd A.I.F. would prove of definite value. They consider that if the Australians are called upon to fight in Turkey the country would more probably favour the employment of cavalry than not.

The success of the Light Horse in Palestine in the last war does not need to be recalled, they state, and it is considered that modern warfare has not altered conditions in the Middle and Near East so radically that this could not be repeated. The disastrous effect of attempting to oppose cavalry to mechanized vehicles in open country ideal for light tanks and armoured cars was demonstrated in Poland they admit, but they consider that there is still a wide field for the Light Horse.

At present the mantle of the Australian Light Horse has fallen upon mechanized reconnaissance regiments where the plumed hat has yielded to the black beret, spurs to spanners and oats to petrol.

Canada $200,000,000 War Loan Oversubscribed in Three Days

To Be Retired in Five Instalments Between 1948 and 1952; Huge Expenditure for Training Air Force Personnel

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

CANADA'S $200,000,000 war loan which was opened to public subscription was oversubscribed by more than $100,000,000 in three days. This is the answer of the Canadian people to the appeal made by the Canadian Government for funds to prosecute the war upon the economic front. Part of the proceeds of this war loan will be used to pay Canada's share of the cost of the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan whereby, with the co-operation of the British, Australian and New Zealand Governments, advanced training will be undertaken in Canada by thousands of Empire airmen.

Under this scheme, Canada is called upon to pay many millions of dollars for the building of aviation schools, modernizing existing aerodromes and building additional ones, and to build up and maintain a large instructional personnel. In addition, Canada will have to pay her share of the operation expenses as well as providing many aeroplanes.

The Canadian Government is attempting to pay for its wartime expenditures by special taxation, but, as Mr. Ernest Lapointe, Canadian Minister of Justice, stated in a war loan appeal, "the national economy is not yet functioning at full force and the Government is not yet receiving from special war and peacetime taxes the amount of revenue which will be available when our industries are working at capacity. The Government, therefore, is resorting to a loan to make up the difference between its revenues and the extraordinary expenses of this time." It was considered advisable to float a domestic loan whereby the people of Canada "may subscribe for the purpose of assuring victory to our arms," rather than by a loan floated outside of the country, or by a direct loan through Canadian banks.

Canada's $200,000,000 war loan will be retired between 1948 and 1952 in five separate instalments which will make it easier for the Dominion to pay them off when the time comes and "indicates the Government's desire to overtake the ultimate costs of the war, as soon as that is reasonably possible."

25,000 Applications for R.C.A.F.

Already more than 25,000 young Canadian men have entered their application for service in the Royal Canadian Air Force and will be available under the British Commonwealth Air Training scheme, according to Canadian Air Force officials. Recruiting for the ground staff is proceeding at the rate of about 300 a week. Under the British Commonwealth Air Training scheme which is expected to cost about $600,000,000, Canada's share will be $350,000,000. In addition to the large number of young men from Canada, the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand who will be trained under the scheme as air pilots, air observers and air gunners, about 40,000 men will be required to man the various training schools. Two hundred Royal Air Force officers of various ranks will assist in getting the training under way.

Men to be trained as pilots, air observers or air gunners for overseas service will have to have high school entrance examination or better. They will have to be between the ages of 18 and 26 and will have to pass a stiff physical examination continually subject to recheck. The age limit is extended to 39 where the applicant has already had up to 100 hours' flying experience.

An estimated 30,000 enlisted men will be required as ground crews. They will be chosen according to special qualifications for the tasks they are to perform. The age limit set for members of the ground crews will be 18 to 40 years, and in exceptional cases up to 45, with a strict physical examination. An estimated 6,000 civilians will be required to assist on the ground. They may be men outside the age limit for enlisted ground crew men or those who could not pass the exacting physical test required for the enlisted men.

Administrative Officers

In addition to these, approximately 2,700 officers who have had experience in flying, wireless or other qualifications will be required. These will mostly be former officers of the Royal Canadian Air Force who are qualified to take over such duties. For wireless training, telegraph operators in commercial work will be enlisted where available and also those who have practised wireless telegraphy as amateurs. The age limit for non-flying administrative duties will be from 18 to 49 years.

Air Marshall G. M. Croil, chief of the Canadian air staff, stated in a recent press interview that the training set-up has been planned along democratic lines. All recruits for air crews will be enlisted as airmen. In the four weeks in the initial course they will be divided into pilots, air observers and air gunners. At the end of the training they will be listed in the pool. Only then will some of them be given commissions and the others will be listed as non-commissioned officers according to their showing during training.

The British Commonwealth Air Training scheme originally called for the establishment of thirteen elementary flying schools, but this number has been increased to 26 schools of smaller size. Smaller size of the schools will permit the use of smaller fields and reduce the amount of construction required. The change brings the number of schools actually required in the training programme up to 71 as against 58 decided upon formerly. In addition there will be six schools for the training of instructors, technicians and ground staffs.

Tribute to Character

Capt. Harold Balfour, M.P., British Under-Secretary for Air described his recent visit to Canada in connection with the British Commonwealth Air Training scheme, said that "Canada was fully war conscious in her preparations to play her part in the struggle before us. And I don't believe this could be so unless the citizens of Canada didn't feel just as strongly as we do in England, as to the justice and as to the truth of the events leading up to the war and the causes of the conflict. With less actual close touch to the conditions of war, I feel it is a tribute to the breadth of character and depth of feeling that the Canadian people are every bit as determined as we are in this country to throw their all into the fight."

Young men of Canada, like the young men of all other parts of the Empire, were only too anxious to know how they "can best serve and help," stated Captain Balfour. "I hope and I believe that this Empire Air Training Scheme will, to a considerable extent, give the answer to this question to those young men.... From what I know to be the intentions of the Canadian authorities who are going to be responsible for running this scheme, every young man can look forward to a happy and interesting training period during which he is going to be made to feel at home in the Dominion on whose territory he is going to be doing his work."

Labour Behind Government

Labour in Canada stands strongly behind the Canadian Government in its war efforts. As soon as possible after war was declared, Canadian labour made quite clear its position and the extent of its willingness to participate in its successful prosecution. Through its representatives it gave an unequivocal promise of 100 per cent. co-operation. Speaking on behalf of the Canadian Government, Mr. N. A. McLarty, Canadian Minister of Labour, recently stated that "in view of the co-operative attitude of labour generally it would be doubly unfortunate if any attempt were made under the guise of the necessities of war to eliminate or reduce those advantages—whether in wages, in hours of labour or in the general standard of living—which have accrued to Canadian labour during the present century. I have no doubt that this will not happen. But it must be admitted that just as labour has its irresponsible agitators, so there are still some, although a very few, employers who begrudge each advance which has been made in bettering the conditions of work and living of those who with their families depend upon wages for their daily bread. Both attitudes are equally inimical to Canada's war efforts."

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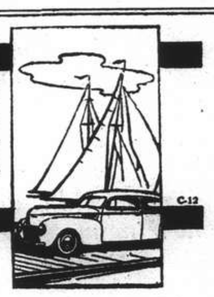

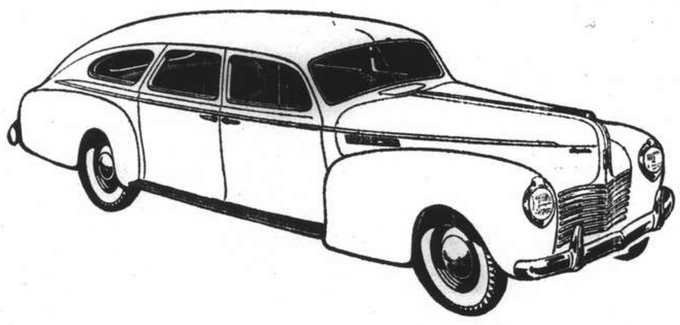

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Pres. Roosevelt Expected to Throw the First Ball

Baseball Season Opening in U.S.; Champion Yankees to Clash with Athletics

New York, Apr. 16.

JOE McCarthy, pilot of the champion New York Yankees, will send his Broadway Bombers against Connie Mack's lowly Athletics at Philadelphia this afternoon as the major leagues begin the long grind which ends with the world series in October. The Yanks are 2 to 1 favourites to repeat in the American League and are expected to smash all existing records if and when they continue their string of World Series victories.

While the Boston Red Sox and the Cleveland Indians are rated a good chance to fight it out on top in the event of a Yankee collapse, even the most rabid Cleveland and Boston fans concede there is little chance for any team in any league to depose the Yankees from their present top perch.

Colour and the usual brass band will greet baseball fans in Washington where the Senators clash with Joe Cronin's Boston Red Sox. President Roosevelt, if he follows his usual practice, will throw the first ball, although war pressure may keep him at his White House desk.

Many Congressmen will leave war worries to Chancellor Adolf hitler and Mr. Winston Churchill and watch the official opening of the baseball season.

Reds Meet Pirates

Brooklyn will travel to Boston to play the Bees in the first of three tussles in the National League, while St. Louis will play hosts to the Pittsburgh Pirates. The champion Reds will take the home lot against the erratic Chicago Cubs, while the Philadelphia Phillies will clash with the New York Giants at New York.

The Cleveland Indians will make their season's debut at Chicago and Detroit will take the home diamond against St. Louis in the American League.

Main interest will be centred on the display to be featured by the Yanks, for the world champions have retained all their best qualities of last year, but it still remains to be seen how they will shape up as a team this season.

Yanks Strong

The Yanks have the best infield in the league, plenty of heavy hitting players, experienced aces for all positions and, what is more important, sufficient youthful stars to step right into the shoes of the veterans without weakening any department.

The war in Europe will be forgotten by thousands of baseball fans who will flock to the stadiums to watch their favourite sport and enjoy the opportunity to forget Europe's troubles momentarily.

Baseball experts predict a record season to mark baseball's celebration of the start of the second century of competition.—United Press.

Race Club to Meet The Rest Tonight

Severe Test for Squash League Champions; Prize Presentation Dinner

The annual dinner and prize presentation of the Shanghai Squash Rackets Association will take place place this evening at the Rowing Club commencing at 8.30 p.m. Major-General F. Keith Simmons will present the prizes. The General is himself a squash player who has participated in league matches throughout the season playing at No. 3 for the British Army team.

Prior to the dinner, several interesting squash matches will be played, the first, commencing at 5.30 p.m. between the Race Club, the current season's league champions, and the Rest. The teams selected are as follows:

RACE CLUB *v.* THE REST

L. H. Wade *v.* D. Green (Y.M.C.A.)
J. W. Pote-Hunt *v.* L. D. Carson (Rowing Club)
E. B. Cumine *v.* W. Neugebauer (Rowing Club)
M. Benaviten *v.* Capt. J. C. Powell (British Army)
R. D. Parkin v. G. W. Morris (Rowing Club)

Experts to Show How

Following these matches, an exhibition between the leading Chinese markers will be played, commencing at 8 p.m. and here some particularly good squash should be witnessed as it is commonly known that these markers have shown thenselves to be superior to the foreign squash players who have competed in the leagues this season.

The match between the champions the league and the Rest should provide some very close competition and it is difficult to say that the Rest will come out the winners although they have a strong representation. The Race Club have very little to choose between their No. 1 to No. 4 and it is contended that although they will be meeting men who have played as first string in league engagements, the lower rated members of the Race Club will still be able to hold their own against them with a good opportunity to come out on top.

One second division player has been selected to represent the Rest, this being Captain J. C. Powell who has played good squash this season and was able to win his way through to the semi-final of the senior championship. He will meet M. Benavitch, who is one of the strongest members of the Race Club contingent and the latter will find great difficulty in overcoming him.

Of the other matches, players matched have met each other earlier in the season. Wade is to play against D. Green, the season's senior champion; the two have had numerous hard-fought struggles throughout the season. Another match of interest will be between J. W. Pote-Hunt and L. D. Carson. Here some good play is expected and the issue should be in doubt with Carson only slightly favoured.

E. B. Cumine and W. Neugebauer should provide some close play as will the match between R. D. Parkin and G. W. Morris, with the former slightly favoured in the first match and the latter expected to hold the advantage in the second.

Hongkong Chinese Still Winning

Manila, Apr. 16.

Hongkong's Eastern Chinese Athletic football team scored its third successive local victory by defeating Letran College, Manila's third ranking soccer squad, at the Rizal Memorial Stadium tonight, 5-1. The visitors jumped into an early lead and held a 3-1 advantage at half-time. Hongkong played smart football, dominating throughout the game. Chin-to and N. Z. Lee drew rings round the Filipinos who relied on rough tactics but were helpless against the well-planned and excellent movements of the Chinese who revealed polished dribbling.—United Press.

Palestine Beat Russia In Ping Pong Match

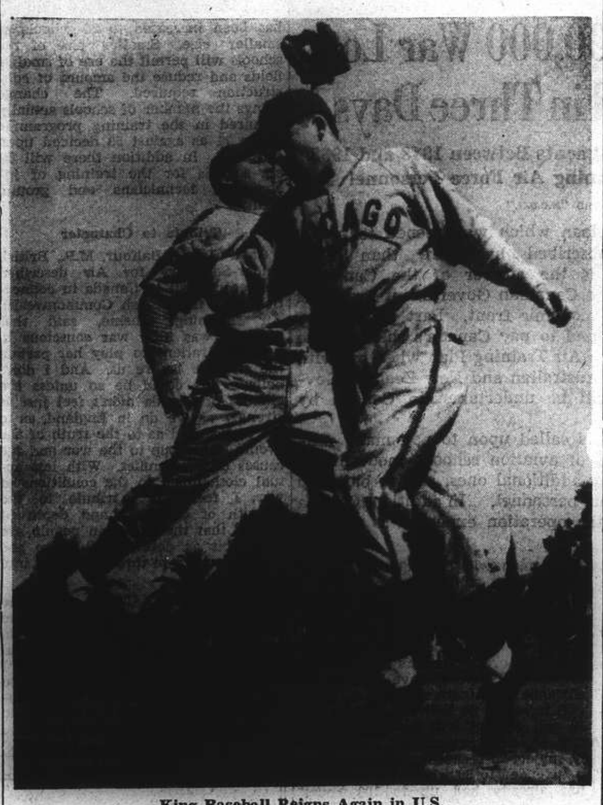
In an exciting semi-final of the local ping pong tournament Palestine managed to defeat Russia by 13-5 at the Nichiqua School before a large crowd of spectators, numbering several hundred.

The Palestine team were in excellent form and their most spectacular players were K. Defris, M. Ochshorn and M. Krimisky. On the Russian side the all round sportsmen Chooklantzeff and Vlodechenko played brilliantly.

Russia.—Chooklantzeff (3), Vlodchenko (1), Aprelkoff, (2), Yedlenljaeff and Brusnin (0).

Palestine.—Krimsky (4), Ochshorn (4), Defris (3), Fellor (3) and Fruketer (0).

In the final, Palestine will meet China on Thursday, April 25, at 8.30 p.m. in the gymnasium of the Foreign Y.M.C.A.



King Baseball Reigns Again in U.S.

Above Bill Herman catches a high throw to second as Bob Mattick toes the sack in a practice game for the Chicago Cubs at Santa Catalina Island recently. First major league games of the 1940 season are just beginning.

First Athletic Meet Saturday

Ambitious Plans Made For Local Track and Field Season

Local track and field competition will begin this Saturday when the U.S. Marines meet the Shanghai American School on the latter's grounds. At least six more meetings will follow with the season's wind-up meeting under the auspices of the Shanghai Track and Field Association (International) scheduled to take place on June 1 and 8.

Tentative plans were made Monday when the Executive Committee held their first meeting at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. The major portion of the conference was occupied by the drawing up of the list of officials who will be in charge of the June competition. The names of these officials will not be made known until they have been approached on the matter.

The events run off last year will be put into competition again this time. The track events include 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, 880 yards, one mile, two miles, 120 yards low hurdles, 440 medium hurdles, 880 yards (4 X 22 yards) relay and one mile (4 X 440 yards) relay. The field events consists of high jump, broad jump, pole vault, hop-step-jump, 16-lb. shot put, discus throw, and javelin throw.

Scoring will be based on the usual 5-3-2-1 system while relay races will double the points.

It was decided that each team will be restricted to two entrants in each event. Entry fees will be decided at the next Committee meeting to be called by the Hon. Secretary probably next week.

Meanwhile, the following will comprise the season's competitions:

Saturday, April 20, U.S. Marines *v.* Shanghai American School.
Saturday, April 27, Invitation Triangular Meet at the Shanghai American School.
Thursday, May 2, Inter-Scholastic Meeting.
Friday, May 3, Inter-Scholastic Meeting.
Saturday, May 4, Invitation Triangular Meet at the Shanghai American School.
Friday, May 3, Inter-Scholastic Meeting.
Saturday. May 11, Inter-Scholastic Meeting.
Saturday, May 25, Police Sports.
Saturday, June 1, Shanghai Track and Field Meeting.
Saturday, June 8, Shanghai Track and Field Meeting.

Beynon Made President Of Referees Society

Annual Meeting Followed By Annual Dinner

At the annual meeting of the Shanghai Football Referees Society the election of officers took place, for the coming season. O. G. R. Beynon was elected President; A. G. Carnell was made Secretary and Treasurer; W. F. Field and F. C. Hale and S. Hurrey were made members of the committee.

The annual meeting was followed by the annual dinner during which silver whistles were presented to the referees who had takan part in the interport series and other senior matches in the course of the past season. Referees who received silver whistles were Beynon, Burt, Carnell, Hurry and Field.

Squash Title Won By Parkin

Ginsbourg Defeated in Exciting Struggle for Junior Championship

R. D. Parkin defeated S. Ginsbourg to win the junior squash rackets championship for the current seasor. last night in a match played at the Rowing Club before a fairly large crowd of spectators. The score read 9-2, 1-9, 9-7, 10-8 in favour of Parkin who played an aggressive game and was more in evidence throughout than his opponent.

The winner used hard, low shots that clung to the side walls and thereby held the game in his advantage. He similarly outmanœuvred his opponent and kept the latter retrieving whereas he was more otten than not able to assume the commanding position in the middle of the court. He varied his pace and kept the ball well out of Ginsbourg's reach so that the latter was forced to do more running than the eventual winner.

S. Ginsbourg played a hard and valiant game. He was able to get to most of the shots that Parkin played against him and some of his attacking strokes were excellent. He was unable however, to make his opponent do sufficient running with result that he was kept in the back of the court and made to retrieve shots. His cross court boost shot, played at a deep angle from the front court was a very able shot that won him many points.

The first two games saw a reversal of form of both players, Parkin winning the first at 9-2 easily and Ginsbourg taking the second at 9-1 in a similar manner. The third saw a tremendous struggle, for although Ginsbourg led off at 4-0 the score was equalized at 5-5 and thereafter points were shared till Ginsbourg went ahead at 7-5. Here Parkin rallied strongly to tie the score at 7-7 again and went on to win at 9-7.

The last game saw another hard fight and again the score was evened up at 5-5 with Ginsbourg again taking the fore at 7-5, but again he could not hold out in front and was brought to even terms at 7-7, the fight for the final points seeing Parkin taking the score to 8-7, only to have it reach 8-8, and in the play off Parkin went on to win at 10-8.

Walsall Win Replay Against Port Vale

London, Apr. 16.

Walsall trounced Port Vale by six goals to nil in a replay in the preliminary round of the English War Emergency Football Cup competition

Rotherham also managed to qualify for the first round, but only after extra time, during which they scored the all-important goal to eliminate Doncaster.

In a Scottish Eastern League match St. Bernard's, at home, lost to Hearts by two goals to nil.—Reuter.

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Japanese Empire Treading Road of Expansion

War Minister Urges Greater Discipline, Need for Economy in Address to Divisional Generals

Tokyo, Apr. 16.

JAPAN must shake off her dependence on foreign countries, establish impregnable defences to set the public mind at ease, and bolster the national structure to meet the needs of long-range warfare, declared General Shunroku Hata, Minister of war, in an address at the annual conference of divisional commanders of the Japanese army.

Although confident of the bright future of the Japanese Empire, he added, present conditions at home and abroad require drastic improvement for the absolute security of the nation.

"The Empire," General Hata continued, "is treading the road of expansion, and I have not the slightest doubt that the future is bright. Unfortunately, circumstances surrounding our country at present give me cause to fear that everything may not be in order."

The War Minister stressed that the army owed a great responsibility to the people, "who are making great sacrifices, and must continue to make even greater ones, while the army proceeds with the disposal of the China affair and the repletion of its armaments."

To Improve Discipline

Besides curbing every expenditure wherever possible, he ordered the divisional commanders to set about improving discipline and raising the morale of the army, so that it may set an example to the rest of the people and uphold its prestige abroad.

The main points of the War Minister's address were as follows:—

"Two and a half years have elapsed since the start of our holy war. During that time the situation confronting the nation has increased in gravity.

"The new national government of China has been established. It marks a new stage in the disposal of the China incident. The replenishment of armaments also has been taken in hand and the foundations are being laid for national defences which will meet the requirements of the new state of things which has arisen in East Asia.

"But there is something in the trend of matters both here and abroad which forbids an optimistic view of the situation. The fundamental policy for coping with these conditions is to strengthen the domestic structure to enable us to meet long-term warfare, to promote the national spirit, to get out of the position of reliance on foreign countries at once, to perfect national defences with a view to making the country invincible, so that the people may feel absolutely secure and to make China and third nations realize the inflexible policy of the Japanese Empire.

Officers Warned

"Remembering the actual conditions in the army, nothing is more important than to improve discipline and strengthen unity in the army, thereby establishing a high morale in the armed forces. The officers, who form the nucleus of the national army, must appreciate the dignity of the prerogative of the supreme command, maintain their pride and dignity, set an example for their subordinates, be fair in dispensing rewards and punishment and be thoroughgoing in the spiritual guidance of their subordinates.

"In carrying out measures for the replenishment of armaments, you are required to give earnest attention to strengthening the domestic structure so the national army may execute its appointed task completely in a national emergency. You are required to take a long-range view of the situation, to pay close attention to the details of your functions, to increase contact between the high and the low and among the ranks and to make the guidance of your subordinates suitable under a carefully laid plan.

"Get rid of old and harmful customs, show originality in devising measures for improvement of conditions in the army and make yourselves preoccupied with the maintenance and expansion of the fighting strength of the national army.

"Regarding the present arms programme, the aims are the expansion of productive power and the repletion of the fighting power of the army. Satisfaction of these requirements depends on strengthening our national general mobilization, increased awareness of the people, and epochal development of domestic industrial power.

"I hope you will bear all this in mind and see that your guidance of officers and civilians in the districts under your jurisdiction leaves nothing to be desired.

Expenditure Controlled

"The budget necessary for the amaments replenishment programme is fairly large. The manner in which it is spent will produce far-reaching effects not only on the disposal of the China incident and the arms programme itself but also will affect national finances and economy and the living of the people.

"The army is confronted with the necessity of proceeding with the disposal of the China incident and the repletion of armaments, while asking the people to make supreme efforts and sacrifices under difficult conditions. There is a greater need for the exercise of every circumspection in the execution of the budget and the use of materials. It is necessary to devise measures to assure the constructive expenditure of the budget.

The army is called upon to husband materials, to have a high regard for them, to retrench expenditures, to draw a sharp line of demarcation between positive and reckless spending and between negative spending and retrenchment. We must display originality in devising means for expending the budget.

"The new stage of the China incident requires that the army should plan constructive saving and accumulation, instead of destructive consumption as during the early part of the incident. In short, the situation demands that the army make its plans in advance and carry them out slowly but steadily.

Toil of the People

"I hope you will exercise every care in the use of materials and in making disbursements, not forgetting that every single article and every single sen is the product of the toil and soil of the people.

"The entry of the China incident into a stage of protraction has added to the complexity of the various military protection arrangements behind the guns. There is a need to strengthen and adjust measures for military protection.

"Plans for making permanent the existing arrangements for military protection must be evolved and nothing must be left undone to see that soldiers are cared for both materially and spiritually.

"The Empire is treading the road of expansion and I have not the slightest doubt that the future is bright. Unfortunately, circumstances surrounding the country at present give me cause to fear that everything may not be in order.

"I hope you will take a long-range view and use restraint and help yourselves and help complete the work of perfecting an invincible national army to answer the trust of the people. I also hope you will display the prestige of the army at home and abroad and proceed with the disposal of the China incident, thereby assisting in the great work of constructing a new order in East Asia."—Reuter.

Japanese Watching Shipping Position

Control of Norwegian and Danish Ships May Have Eastern Repercussions

Tokyo, Apr. 15.

Shipping circles in this country are carefully watching the sudden change in the European war situation, believing that serious repercussions will be caused by Norway's declaration of war against Germany. Norway, it is pointed out here, is the fourth largest shipping country of the world with a total of 4,800,000 tons of freighters and tankers. Denmark is also one of the influential shipping countries, with 1,200,000 tons of ships.

Norwegian and Danish ships have been operating actively in the Far East since the beginning of the war. Therefore the withdrawal of these ships from Far Eastern trade may have serious effects on Japan, for she has been chartering many for transport of cargoes, due to her extreme shortage of ships on waters near by. With the retirement of a part of these ships from Far Eastern waters, Japan will have to look elsewhere for new bottoms to transport her cargoes on ocean routes.

Meanwhile, as a counter-measure to mitigate the shortage of ships, a movement is afoot for the transfer of ocean liners aggregating 50,000 tons from ocean to near-seas routes. A decision to that effect was reached on Tuesday last at a meeting of the Shipping Control Committee held at the Oriental Hotel in Kobe, the "Japan Chronicle" reported. The transport of goods between Japan and the Continent is now a most pressing need for Japan, it pointed out.

For ocean liners, on the other hand, the Committee will take proper measures such as changing ports to be touched at specifying cargoes, etc., besides facilitating the repair of ships and petitioning the authorities to charter more foreign ships.

The involvement of Norway and Denmark in war may compel the Shipping Committee to revise some of its plans, however.—Havas.

Malaria Epidemic Takes Toll in China

Appeal Made to U.S. for Gift of Medicines

New York, Apr. 15.

The immediate need for $150,000 to buy quinine and hydrochloride to combat malaria epidemics in five Chinese provinces has been announced by Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, national chairman of the American Bureau for Medical aid to China.

Col. Roosevelt reported the following telegraphic appeal from Dr. Robert K. S. Lin, director of the Medical Corps of the National Red Cross Society of China:

"Malaria rampant many fronts especially Hupeh, Hunan, Kiangsi, Kwangtung, Kwangsi. Needs enormous. Hope can obtain fifteen million point three-gram tablets quinine, one million two cc ampoules hydrochloride."

The quantities asked by Dr. Lin were evidence of the scope of the epidemic, Col. Roosevelt pointed out. He added that the bureau's chapters in 70 cities had begun to raise their quotas in the $150,000 drive.—Havas.

British Food Supply Adequate

Scandinavian Invasion Has Slight Effect

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 16.

Further indication of the likely effects of the invasion of Denmark on the British food situation was given by a Ministry of Food official today.

Britain, he said, had sufficient supplies of butter and bacon in cold storage to remove any anxiety for the immediate future. Moreover, production overseas was well in hand, especially in Canada, and imports from Eire and other parts of the Empire had been increased.

The position in the more distant future would necessarily be affected by the shipping position and it could not be expected that it would be possible to replace 100 per cent. the supplies which had been cut off from Scandinavian countries.

Nevertheless, the Ministry of Food was confident that ample supplies of these commodities were arriving from overseas which, with home production, would be sufficient to keep the public and services in full health and vigour.—Reuter.

U.S. Navy Demands More Ships

Admiral Stark Advises Maintaining 5-3 Ratio Superiority Over Japan

Washington, Apr. 16.

The Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Harold R. Stark, yesterday asked the Senate Naval Affairs Committee to increase the fighting strength of the United States Navy by 25 per cent. instead of the eleven per cent. increase provided in the Vinson Naval Bill now before Congress.

Coincident with President Roosevelt's warning here that the American nations will meet "force with force," in the event of an attack on any of the 21 American Republics, Admiral Stark told the Senate committee that the Navy would require additional warships.

Admiral Stark's testimony indicated that the main reason for seeking further ship-building funds was to guarantee American naval supremacy over Japan.

"With the advent of the Munich Agreement," Admiral Stark said, "we found that we might be called upon to defend ourselves simultaneously in both the Atlantic and Pacific."

5-3 Superiority over Japan

He said the Navy did not want to maintain separate fleets in the two oceans, but desired to maintain a 5-to-3 ratio superiority over Japan.

According to "the best information," Japan is building eight new super-dreadnaughts, Admiral Stark declared. He stressed the scant official information regarding Japanese building of an unrevealed number of warships.

"She (Japan) appears to feel that concealment (of such information) even though it may stimulate United States and British building, serves her interest better than would non-concealment," Admiral Stark declared.

He emphasized the Navy's conviction that an immediate start should be made on 167,000 tons of new fighting craft contemplated under the US$655,000,000 Vinson Bill.

It is "very much more essential" today that the 5-5-3 ratio be maintained than it was when the radio was laid down in 1922, he declared.

New Carribbean Base Wanted

The Navy recommended the establishment of a new naval base in the south-eastern Carribbean to safeguard against invasion of the Western Hemisphere. An analysis the effectiveness of aerial and sea fleets in the European war concluded that the German Air Force has not indicated that it would be able to overcome the British and French Fleets, the Navy declared.

The Navy said the new Carribbean base would "add to" the security of the area as well as to the ability of the United States Fleet to insure the integrity of the Monroe Doctrine.'

Senator George R. Norris, independent Republican of Nebraska, said in an interview that he believed the Administration's demands for naval funds "are becoming too wild."

"The Navy is adequate to protect us now," Senator Norris said. "Other nations are embroiled in the European conflict and Japan is too much tied up in China to turn her attention to us."

Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Democrat of Montana, supported Admiral Stark. He said he had usually favoured a small Navy for the United States, but now believed that in view of the war in Europe, "the Western Hemisphere has got to be prepared."—United Press.

First Swedish-German Frontier Clash

Air Precautions Ordered Throughout Sweden

Stockholm, Apr. 16.

The first German-Swedish frontier incident was reported on Monday when two German detachments advanced to a railway bridge as far as the Swedish border, where Swedish police halted the Nazi troops, the "Dagens Nyheter" reported today. The German forces opened machine-gun fire against the Swedish police, who were unhurt, it was reported. Swedish soldiers rushed to aid the frontier police, shouting in German, "Are you warring with Sweden?" The German troops were reported to have immediately ceased firing and apologized to the Swedish police.

The spokesman for the Norwegian Legation here last night said the Legation had been all day without any reliable news from the Norwegian war front. "We are now awaiting details of the result of the reported British landings," he said.—United Press.

Nazi Ship Seek Refuge

Stockholm, Apr. 15.

The number of German ships in the Swedish harbour of Goeteborg was increased from 18 to 24 today with the entry of six more vessels which, Goeteborg reports stated, seemingly came from the north, closely hugging the Swedish coast to escape Allied naval units. All mineral oils in civilian use were liable to requisition by the authorities as from last night, an official decree announced earlier in the day. Another decree declared "preparation against air attacks" will be carried out in certain regions of southern and western Sweden as from noon today, Tuesday.

From Goeteborg it was reported that two German planes were shot down over Swedish territory yesterday. One was totally destroyed by accurate anti-aircraft fire off Lysekil and the other was compelled to make a forced landing at Marystad. This second craft apparently was a troop transport for it carried fifteen men aboard; all of them were interned by the Swedish authorities.—Havas.

A FINE record of Empire service belongs to Sir George Buchanan, who is seriously ill. As a consulting engineer, he has built ports, railways, dockyards, and river works all over the world. He was in charge of a £1,000,000 improvement scheme at Rangoon. He rebuilt Basra. The Governments of India, South Africa, and Australia employed him to report on vast improvement schemes. His most important work, however, was to clear up the dreadful transport muddle at Basra early in the last war. Afterwards, in a book called "The Tragedy of Mesopotamia," he wrote a vivid account of his experiences.

U.S. President Says Peace Needs More Than Wishing

Pan-American Unity and Harmony Set Up as Example; N.E.I. Protection Possible

Washington, Apr. 16.

"CO-OPERATIVE peace of the western hemisphere was not created by wishing and it will require more than words to maintain it," declared President Franklin D. Roosevelt when addressing the Pan-American Union here. "We have only asked the world to go with us in the path of peace but we shall be able to keep that way only if we are prepared to meet force with force if the challenge ever is given." What happened in the old world, he said, directly and powerfully affected the peace and well-being of the new, and it was for this reason that they had adopted procedures enabling them to meet any eventuality.

The possibility that the Republics of North and South America would move to establish a temporary protectorate over Dutch possessions in the Western Hemisphere, if Herr Hitler seized Holland, is seen by well-informed circles in Washington. Persons close to the State Department believe the United States would not allow Germany to claim possession or sovereignty over Dutch possessions, though they do not believe Germany would think of doing so, as she would doubtless be anxious not to antagonize the United States. Nor do they believe there would be any likelihood of Great Britain taking control of these possessions for the same reason.

President Roosevelt's demeanour in delivering his speech was grave. Equally grave was his audience, which included the diplomatic representatives of Britain, France, China, Australia, Finland, and 21 American Republics. Nations not represented included Germany, Russia, Japan, Italy, Norway, Sweden, the Netherlands and Denmark.

Growth of American Unity

"At Lima," he said, "we agreed to stand together to defend and maintain the absolute integrity of every American nation, from any attack direct or indirect, from beyond the seas. At Panama we worked out ways and means for keeping the war away from this hemisphere.

"I pray God we shall not have to do more than that, but should it be necessary I am convinced that we should be wholly successful. The inner strength of a group of free people is irresistible when they are prepared to act.

"I affirm that life must be based on positive values. The value of love will always be stronger than the value of hate, since any nation or group of nations which employs hatred eventually is torn to pieces by hatred within itself. The value of belief in humanity is always stronger than the value of belief in force, because force at last turns inward and if that occurs each man or group of men is finally compelled to measure his strength against his own brother."

Doctrine of Good Neighbourliness

At the outset President Roosevelt said peace between American nations remained secure owing to the instruments they had created embodying in great measure the principles on which enduring peace must be based throughout the world.

Peace reigned in the western hemisphere because each nation ageed to respect the integrity and independence of the others, because they agreed, as neighbours should, to mind their own business and renounced the right to interfere with each other's domestic affairs, because they agreed to settle any dispute by friendly negotiation rather than by force.

Peace reigned because they recognized the principle that only through mutually beneficial international and economic relations could each have adequate access to the materials and opportunities necessary to the rising level of the economic well-being of peoples.

"We of this hemisphere do not need to seek a new international order—we already have found it," President Rossevelt stated.

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Two Danish Ships Held In Hongkong

Ownership of Cargoes To Be Ascertained

Hongkong, Apr. 16.

British authorities here today held two Danish ships, the Peter Maersk and the Panama, pending determination of the ownership of the ships' cargoes, it was understood. The Panama arrived in Hongkong this morning.—United Press.

Cargo Consigned to Manila

Manila, Apr. 16.

Much of the Peter Maersk cargo was understood to have been consigned to Manila and it was expected that Manila importers would submit proof of ownership of the cargo to Mr. Francis B. Sayre, United States High Commissioner for the Philippines. It was believed Mr. Sayre would transmit the statement of the local importers to Hongkong officials.—United Press.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Alec Tweedie

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 16.

Mrs. Alec Tweedie, widely known authoress and artist, whose sketches are on display in the galleries of 26 countries, is dead. Her writing career extended over a period of 45 years, beginning with the publication in 1890 of a travel book on Iceland.

Mrs. Tweedie was educated in England and Germany. She travelled in Norway, Denmark, Finland, Mexico, Sicily, America and the Orient, writing about each of the places she visited.

Her writings were not confined to travel subjects. She wrote biographies of the English physician George Harley, and Porfirio Diaz, seven times President of Mexico.

From 1919 to 1921 she travelled more than 50,000 miles through the Far East. She exhibited hundreds of water-colour sketches in London and Paris, presented more than 500 of her world sketches to 26 governments and numerous institutions.

Mrs. Tweedie served on many philanthropic and charitable committees. She received the thanks of the Italian Government for help given to Sicilian earthquake sufferers in 1912.—Reuter.

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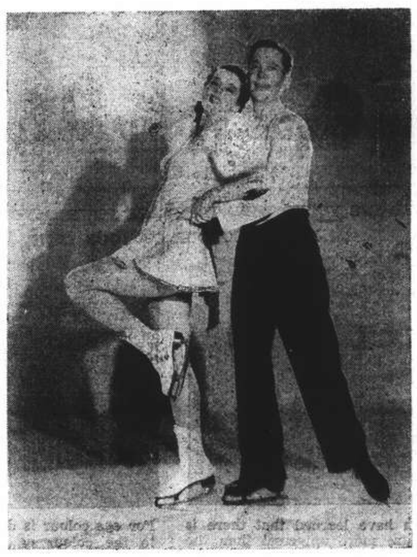

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A PROMISE HONOURED

The announcement made in London on Monday night to the effect that British forces had landed at several points on the Norwegian coast is one of the most gratifying pieces of news which has been liberated since the beginning of the war. Not only does it prove the Allies' willingness to honour their promises to threatened neutrals, but it demonstrates beyond a shadow of a doubt the untruth of the German claim to hold command of the North Sea, and establishes instead complete Allied control of those waters. Were that not the case the despatch of British forces to land in Norway would have been the height of imprudence. The fact that such troops have been convoyed across the North Sea without molestation to make successful landing is all the evidence necessary to show what a damaging blow has been struck against the German navy, of which authoritative naval circles in London claim the effective strength consists now of no more than one battle cruiser, possibly one pocket battleship, one light cruiser, eleven destroyers and about half the number of U-boats with which Germany entered the war. The wastage as a result of the naval actions of last week is such that Germany cannot hope to replace it for a very considerable time to come. Consequently, with the huge minefield which has been laid and the powerful convoys, which it is possible to give the British troops in transit across the North Sea, what might have turned out in other circumstances to be a particularly perilous undertaking has been accomplished with greater safety than that which attended the comparatively simpler move by the Germans. Attempts are being made by the German propaganda machine to minimize the extent of the reverses which have been inflicted upon the German navy, but these cannot possibly succeed in face of the fact that the British landing on Norwegian shores has been accomplished. Stubborn facts such as these defy even the versatile German propagandists to explain away.

For all practical purposes, if this London estimate is correct,—and there is every reason to believe it is,—the German navy has virtually been wiped out, and should no longer be reckoned on as an important factor in the future development of the war. It is claimed that the British troops have occupied Narvik. That awaits confirmation, but whether that is so or not, the fact that the Allies can exercise a complete blockade of that port deprives the Germans of at least a quarter of their total ore supplies coming from Sweden, considerably damaging the iron industry of Germany which has to depend upon the high grade Swedish ore to mix with its domestic low grade ore in order to permit the basic operation of the Bessemer or Thomas processes the very foundation of the steel industry. That in itself is a shattering blow which will become even more devastating should Germany seek to invade Sweden, when all supplies would be cut off, even those transported through the Baltic. Indeed the only safeguard which Sweden has at the moment is that very fact, for a Sweden at war most certainly would make sure that none of her raw materials would reach her enemy, while in the event of defeat the destruction of the iron fields would obviously follow. When these facts are borne in mind it is clear that Herr Hitler has very dangerously overreached himself, and he has opened the way for the Allies to administer further blows, and such as should contribute largely to the confidently expected German defeat. Apart from the purely strategical aspects of the affair, there is the psychological side of the matter to be considered. The British landing on the Norwegian coast should have the effect of encouraging those other neutrals, who may in turn be threatened, to take up arms, and resist German aggression. They have been shown that the Allies are not only willing, but anxious to go to their assistance should they require it. Much has been made of the contention that the Allies did not go to the aid of Poland. It only requires a glance at any map to show why this should have been the case, especially when in the instance of Finland, the Scandinavian countries, in an endeavour to maintain a neutrality which Germany is now bent upon destroying, refused the passage of Allied troops to Finland.

Belgium and Holland, as well as any other neutral country which may be involved with Germany, have now received practical assurance that Allied assistance will be forthcoming should they need it. It will be supplied with no mean hand, for every such move as that which Germany has made in Norway opens up an opportunity of getting at Germany, which would not have been possible except at a very heavy cost, had Germany been content to wait behind her Siegfried Line for the Allies to attack her there. Thus the attempt to maintain a *Sitzkrieg*, with occasional diversions in the nature of a minor *Blitzkrieg*, which is apparently what Herr Hitler contemplates, plays into the hands of the Allies, and they have shown in the case of Norway that they are ready at all times to take advantage of the openings which Herr Hitler affords them. Despite the fact that the invasion of Scandinavia was always part and parcel of the policy of the Reich, it has always to be borne in mind that this adventure into Norway was dictated by desperation aroused by the manner in which the Allies were frustrating the German endeavours to maintain and increase their supplies of ore from Sweden. Were Germany to emerge victorious from this struggle it is apparent that Scandinavia would have been brought into subjection by a conquering nation. The pressure of the Allied blockade has had the effect of forcing Herr Hitler to put the cart before the horse, reversing his original programme and giving the Allies the opportunity, which they did not miss, of inflicting a staggering blow to the German navy, and it is to be hoped in the near future a defeat of the German forces at present in Norway. Only the future will tell how far the German military experts agreed with Herr Hitler in launching this movement, though it is known that there has been opposition to various of the schemes hatched in his erratic and mystic mind. The chances are that in this case their advice was overruled unless, of course, they were completely misinformed as to the real situation in the North Sea.

Holland's Colonies

The possibility of a German invasion of Holland has brought to the fore the question of the fate of the Netherlands East Indies, and already some concern is being expressed officially in Japan regarding that territory. The fact of the invasion of Holland need not affect the status of the Netherlands East Indies provided there is displayed an ordinary degree of good faith all round, for those colonies should be able to maintain their integrity unmolested by any other nation. As the Allies are fighting for the democracies and for the defeat of Germany, their intention is that, no matter what might happen before final victory is secured, the possessions of the neutrals shall remain intact, and be restored to them. There is consequently no desire on their part to take advantage of the predicament in which Holland may find itself to deprive her of territory which she administers so well, and so justly. There is certainly no question of the Allies desiring to take the Netherlands East Indies, and most surely no intention of permitting Germany to do so. Nor, on the other hand, will they willingly consent to their passing into other hands, and any attempt to grab them may lead to a most unfortunate extension of the war. The solution of the problem seems to lie in an all round agreement on the part of nations interested in the Far East to maintain the present status of the Netherlands East Indies, to preserve their territorial integrity, and to permit of their continued administration by the authorities at present in charge of them. By such a means any danger of these colonies changing their status would entirely be obviated, and any threat to the peace of the Far East dissipated. At the same time the economic benefits which the various countries derive from the Netherlands East Indies would continue, and the present balance in the Far East maintained. Thus an international agreement along the lines suggested should be sufficient to allay Japanese anxieties on this score, maintaining the *status quo* and generally contributing to the peace of this part of the world.

Voice from the Past

It has been said that a Germany safe for the rest of Europe will never be secured until there is a complete change in the mental outlook of the average German. Some people appear to think that it might be possible to effect such a change within the space of a generation, but history tends to show that a very much longer time would be required. That view is supported by many a quotation which can be drawn from German writers going back as far as even the sixteenth century. Thus Frederick von Spee, 1591-1635, a Rhineland Jesuit, a man of noble family enjoying some fame as a poet, is also know for his biting comments on the Germany of his time. Thus in his "Cautio Criminalis" amongst other of his *obiter dicta* is to be found the following:—

> O my Germany, how I grieve for thee! Woe that our fatherland should glow with the flames of martyr's stakes and not with the light of truth.
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> The michief has gone deep in Germany, and the roasting and laying waste has spread so much in our dear fatherland that we have damaged German honour among our foreign enemies not a little and made our name stink.
>
> O Germany what art thou doing? Is it not lamentable that no one dare speak of what is being done by those who rule?

The occasion for that remonstrance was different from what is occurring nowadays, but the applicability of the quotation is even now quite apparent. The reckless disregard of international law, the criminal attacks on defenceless neutrals, the horrors which are being perpetrated in Poland, the bombing of open towns and the wilful slaughter of civilian men, women, and children, justify recalling Frederick von Spee's words. The German name stinks not only in the nostrils of their foreign enemies but also in those of the neutrals of the world. It is truly lamentable that no one dares speak of what is being done by the Nazi rulers of Germany, but the time will come when the people of that country will receive a rude disillusionment, and they, in their turn, will realize the horrible behaviour of which their present rulers are guilty. Frederick von Spee knew the Germany of his time, and wrote for the Germany of another epoch with equal truth.

Mothers in-law Rebel

Mothers-in-law in the United States, or at least in the State of New York, are in rebellion against the prejudice which makes them the butt of comedians all over the world, and as a step towards betterment are now in search of some better name than the one which at present describes them. Of the various suggestions which have been put forward not one seems likely of adoption, because it is clear that mothers-in-law by any other name will still be the same type of individual which the young married people so frequently fear. It is obvious that the young man's dread of her is due to the fact that, when it comes to a decision as to how his wife shall deal with him, she has the advantage of having her mother's advice, and there is a feeling that the marriage scales are unduly weighted against him by that fact. Thus psychologists will doubtless declare that the regard in which the average man holds the average mother-in-law is indicative of a fear complex, as demonstrated by the capacity of man to joke about those things which he fears most, as, for example, even a young wife's cooking. Anthropologists who have made a study of human characteristics leave the whole question in an interesting condition, giving rise to the question as to whether the savage in his treatment of mothers-in-law has not answered the question better than his civilized brother who ought really to know better. Thus the invention of tribal laws by certain races has completely solved the problem of how mothers-in-law are to be treated, and that in a manner calculated to give the young married people the most relief. The Arawaks in South America forbid a woman to speak to her son's wife or her daughter's husband, while Australian aborigines, the Kalmucks of Central Asia and Ostraks of Siberia forbid a woman speaking to her husband's parents. Amongst the natives of Papua, a blessed land, a man must not speak to his mother-in-law, nor she to him. It may be that even this does not entirely solve the question, for the formidable even if dumb presence is always there likely to influence the conduct of her own offspring in marital matters. The conclusion seems to be that the mother-in-law is a necessary evil which has to be manfully encountered and dealt with, for the only way to abolish them is not to marry, and that leads to matters the discussion of which seems hardly suitable for these columns.

A COUNTRY DIARY

Shanghai, April 15.—Three of us were discussing the question of wild bird-song yesterday, and I was pleased to have it confirmed by others that a great variety is noticeable as regards the type of note and song produced by birds of the same species: also that birds in different neighbourhoods acquire special habits of enunciation and song, presumably due to their immediate surroundings: the local blackbird is a special examplar of this peculiarity and a few examples are worth mentioning.

In Jessfield Park there is one blackbird with a very powerful voice who used to commence all his performances with the call, *"Tweeky-tweeky-tweeky"*, pronounced very slowly and carefully in a descending scale: but for some unknown reason he has now changed his call to something like *"Yogi-yai"* (repeated very cheerfully) and all the other birds are now copying him. Others at the St. John's end of the park have started to imitate the first few notes of the oriole's call, and that is now the fashionable call in the North-western area. The blackbird in my garden is a most disappointing performer: except on special occasions in the very early morning, his idea of a rollicking song is to sit in a tree and call *"Chih-veh chih-veh, chihveh"*; at one time my neighbour used to be continually whistling for his dog, and the bird imitated him perfectly; but this neighbour has now given up whistling (he has probably lost some teeth, just as I have) so the blackbird has given up whistling and says nothing but "chih-veh." A bird in a willow tree in the Avenue Haig is the finest songster I know in Shanghai, and one of my friends says that the loudest and most continuous singing from blackbirds comes from the municipal nursery on the Hungjao Road: this may be due to emulation of the efforts of the Blind School brass band across the road....but that is merely conjecture.

MADRID'S JAYWALKERS

Assault on Pedestrian Individualism

The Nationalist régime's successful attack upon the "inalienable" right of every Madrileno to cross a street when and where he pleases and, if he has a car, to park it according to the same rules, should go down in history along with the more widely known victories of General Francisco Franco's armies.

Peace has its victories, but the totalitarian government could scarcely have set itself a harder task than the regimentation of jaywalkers. To stroll along the Alcala and see crowds patiently waiting at a new pedestrian crossing is to realize that Spanish individualism has sustained a crushing blow. One month is naturally insufficient to determine whether the forces of individualism will rally. But thus far the special crossing police, with their trim white helmets and gloves, are commanding healthy respect.

For the individualist who disregards their piercing hiss gets summary justice. The policeman fines him 5 pesetas, just like that, and if the offender cannot pay, or refuses to pay, off he goes to jail until he does. Not only is there no appeal but the tough guy who tears up a receipt in the "guardia's" face is soaked another 5 pesetas for littering the streets.

Traffic Signals Not Synchronized

Madrid newspapers blame years of "Red rule" for destroying habits of discipline, but it must be said that the jaywalker has some excuse. The natural thing is to cut right across numerous plazas, rather than walk a considerable distance to a crossing. Moreover, traffic signals are not synchronized and the pedestrian sees no reason to wait for a green light when the street is clear.

Individualistic motorists are also getting theirs. Parking on the wrong side of a street, horn-blowing, ignoring one-way signals or red lights, turning around in the middle of a block, driving on the left side of a centre line—all were flourishing recently; now they are almost no more. The fines are only 10 to 15 pesetas, but the crowd that gathers to hear the dressing-down hurts more. And a new danger is the motorcycle police, lurking under cover of night.

Naturally there is scarcely a policeman who does not hear, "But do you know who I am?" from morning till evening. So far justice has been even-handed, however, and a general was so pleased because he was fined despite his rank that he wrote a letter to the papers about it.

But "hard-boiled" taxi drivers remind one that there have been many campaigns like this in years past and that everything will be "all right once this enthusiasm has quieted down." Anyway, it is a noble experiment. If it succeeds there are grounds for believing that rigid control of everything from the price of potatoes to plans for one's new house and the whole ambitious scheme for a totalitarian, self-sufficient, aggressive modern State will become a permanent feature of the Spanish scene.

IN PARENTHESIS

Problem

Two Cockneys talked in the trenches. "Got any lices, Bill?"

"What sort of lices, boot lices or lousy lices?"

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Selling Short

"CAN you tell me what they mean by 'selling short' in Wall Street?"

"It means buying something you can't get, with money you haven't got, and then later selling what you never had and did not pay for at more than it costs."

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Military Methods

COLONEL (in crowded train): "I say, porter, we're packed like sardines here, can't you do anything?"

Porter (old soldier): "Try numbering off from the right and let the odd numbers breathe in while the even numbers breathe out."

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Mild Answer

AN inexperienced N.C.O. was on temporary duty at the telephone in a front observation post and his replies to Brigade headquarters irritated a certain fire-eating colonel, who demanded in a threatening voice:

"Is there a d——d fool at the end of this line?"

To which the N.C.O. very meekly replied: "Not at this end, sir."

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The Sparrow Family

FOR once it was quiet in The Sparrow's Nest. The Sparrow was sprawling in an armchair by the fire with his eyes closed. His wife sat opposite, knitting.

"Are you asleep?" she asked him as she put down her needles.

"Yes," said The Sparrow, shutting his eyes tight.

"Because if you're not asleep I'd like to talk to you," said his wife.

"I wish you'd do all your talking when I am asleep," said The Sparrow. "Then I wouldn't have to answer a lot of dumb questions."

"I hardly ever get a chance to talk to you at all," said his wife. "You're too grumpy in the morning or too tired at night. Or else you spend the whole evening at that silly Treetops Club."

"Is that all you wanted to say?" asked The Sparrow.

"No," said his wife.

"Perhaps you'd like to discuss the world situation," said The Sparrow. "You've got just the right kind of brain for that."

"You needn't be sarcastic," said his wife.

"Well," said The Sparrow," "throw it off your chest and let's get some sleep."

"Well," began his wife, hanging her head and blushing under her feathers.

"Well," said The Sparrow.

"I don't know how to begin," said his wife.

"Usually you don't know how to end," said The Sparrow.

"Well," said his wife.

"Well," said The Sparrow.

"I was going to say," said his wife, "that we may need a new nest."

"What?" shouted The Sparrow.

"I mean," said his wife, hiding her face in her handkerchief, "we may need a bigger one."

"Oh," said The Sparrow, "so the Nest isn't big enough for you, eh?"

"It's big enough for me," said his wife, blushing again, "but of course you never know."

"Never know what?" asked The Sparrow.

"I don't know," said his wife, hiding her face again.

The Sparrow jumped up and stood over her, glaring.

"Are you trying to tell me," he said, "that you have a tender secret?"

"Yes," said his wife.

"More eggs?" asked The Sparrow.

"Yes," said his wife.

"When?" asked The Sparrow.

"In a week or two," said his wife.

"So," said The Sparrow, "with a war on, with a worm shortage, and with the spring still a long way off you choose to have more eggs."

"I thought you'd be glad," said his wife.

"I'm so glad," said The Sparrow, "that I could bust you on the nose."

"Oh," said his wife.

"I'm so glad," said The Sparrow, "that I'm going out to celebrate."

"Not to that awful club?" said his wife.

"I'm so glad," said The Sparrow, "that I'm going to that awful club and I'm going to stay in that awful club till you've built your bigger nest, laid your damned eggs, sat on them and hatched them. And may they all be addled," he shouted as he dived into the dark.

Nat Gubbins in the "Sunday Express."

British Forces Landed On Faroe Islands

Protective Measure Sanctioned by Danish Governor; French Premier Details Allies' Four Major Gains; Narvik Firmly Held

London, Apr. 16.

IT is understood the British Expeditionary Force in Norway includes regiments from all parts of the British Isles. All are well-seasoned troops. In the House of Commons today, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, stated: "On April 10, in reply to a communication from His Majesty's Government, the Governor of the Faroe Islands agreed under present circumstances to grant such facilities as His Majesty's Government might require, to prevent German forces from establishing themselves in the Faroe Islands. A British force has been landed there." He had no statement to make at present about Greenland.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, is unlikely to speak in the House of Commons today on the war situation. In the present stage of the operations, all that can usefully be said has been told in the form of official communiques, it is pointed out. It may be found possible for Mr. Chamberlain, or Mr. Winston Churchill, the First Lord of the Admiralty, to give further details of the situation to the House later in the week. News of the British capture of Narvik and surrounding country was broadcast to the Norwegian people by the British Broadcasting Corporation in a message in the Norwegian news bulletin yesterday evening.

Commenting today on the landing of British troops in Norway, the military correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says it was unlikely that the landings were opposed except possibly from the air. One should not expect anything startling to happen at once, he declares. It may be assumed, the correspondent continues, "that some of our landing places will have been chosen with a view to establishing air bases. Owing to the nature of the country, however, these bases may be for seaplanes only for the time being.

"In some places, small bodies of men may have been landed to make contact with Norwegian parties and form nuclei on which Norwegian troops or volunteers can rally. Wherever any considerable force lands, it will be necessary to form a base and depots for supplies under the protection of a covering force." The establishment of anti-aircraft defences, the correspondent adds, will be one of the first tasks.

Blow to Nazi Supplies

By the British occupation of Narvik, the Germans are deprived of about a quarter of their total ore supplies, but their loss is even greater than this, stated a prominent iron and steel expert here last night. He told Reuter that since the war began the total effective iron-making resources of Germany had been cut by half. They must have such ore from Scandinavia to mix with their own low-grade mineral, to permit operation of the basic Bessemer or Thomas process, which was the foundation of their steel industry in normal times. "The Germans have only one way of countering the Narvik blow" said the expert "and that is by the ruthless collection of scrap, even to the point of disorganizing general industry by lifting secondary railway lines and pulling down structures."—Reuter.

French Premier's Statement

Paris, Apr. 16.

The situation in Norway following the naval battle between the Allies and Germany was outlined in the Chamber of Deputies today by Premier Paul Reynaud. The Premier said that four main results had been obtained during the past week.

The first result was the naval losses suffered by the Germans in the battle. "This battle," he said, "the Allies won."

The second result, he added, was the closing of the "iron ore road" from Sweden to Germany. "The Allies are at Narvik," he said, "They hold permanently the iron ore road. You know that the activity of the German metal industry grows or decreases according to the arrival of Swedish ore. I have already mentioned the importance of Narvik. Germany confirmed this by placing seven of her most recent destroyers in that port. You know what happened."

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Berlin Says Narvik Still Held

Germany "Not at War" With Norway; Further Areas Being Occupied

Berlin, Apr. 16.

Germany henceforth will use the Norwegian coast as a base for aerial and submarine attacks against the British Isles, official quarters announced here last night.

The announcement contradicted earlier German announcements in which it was said that Norway and Denmark had merely been taken under German "protection" and would not become scenes of hostilities.

German officials said last night that continued British aerial and naval attacks against German-occupied cities in Norway had released Germany from her guarantee not to use Norwegian cities as bases for attacks against England. "In view of these repeated British attacks," the announcement said, "it would be against the interests of Norway if we did not use her bases for retaliation."

An authorized spokesman today again emphasized Germany is not at war with Norway. He predicted no official declaration of war would be issued and said the Norwegian Legation in Berlin is carrying on as usual.

Narvik Claimed Still Held

The Government announced that no British troops had landed in areas of Norway occupied by German forces. The announcement admitted, however, that "British troops may have landed in some part of Norway not in German hands." The announcement said that Narvik and other German occupied towns were "still in German hands."

The German high command said that units of the German navy had further secured positions in the harbours of Bergen, Stavanger and Trondheim and also strengthened the coastal guard. "Counter attacks against submarines continued. "Another British plane was shot down by German planes at the western entrance of the Skager Rak. One German plane failed to return."

A heavy British cruiser was sunk by German bombing planes off the Norwegian coast on Monday, the High Command announced today.

Official quarters said Norwegian troops had been practically "cleared out" of the Oslo area by last night. The greater part of the Norwegian forces in this area crossed the Swedish frontier yesterday and was disarmed, the announcement said.

Occupation Extended

German troops yesterday were "constantly expanding their control over Norwegian territory," the German news agency, D.N.B., said here last night. German troops took important munitions factories at Hoenfoss and Kongsberg and the entire fortified zone of Frederikstad, which the Norwegians held until yesterday, according to the agency. Three thousand Norwegian troops crossed the Swedish frontier at Kornsjoe and were interned by Swedish authorities.

"The transportation of German troops to Norway is continuing according to plan," the agency declared. "Newly-arrived reinforcements will be sent immediately to strategic points. Contact has been partially established between German operating units, which thus far have been separated. Direct contact between advance contingents have been maintained.

"The occupation of Norway, which is about as large as England, continued without particular delay."

German troops blew up the Norwegian radio station at Notodden, south-west of Oslo, because "during the past few days the station continued broadcasts which were unfriendly to Germany." The German news agency also said three Norwegian battalions, totalling 150 officers and 2,000 men, had surrendered to a German batallion advancing from Kristiansand.

Nazis Claim Coast Patrolled

The agency said German aerial reconnaissance units had patrolled the west coast of Norway and had observed British naval forces near Narvik. The agency said the planes found "quiet prevailing" at Narvik, but expressed the opinion that "it is highly probable the British, with their armed forces, will attempt to make their way into some of the innumerable fjords in the far north for reasons of prestige."

D.N.B. said seven British U-boats have been sunk "during the last few days." The torpedoing of a cruiser of the Glasgow class, which was denied by the British, has been definitely confirmed by a report from the commandant of the U-boat concerned."

German Messerschmidtts shot down two British fighters near Bergen yesterday after the latter had bombed the German steamer Smith Berlin, the agency said.

Terming British attacks on Narvik, Norway, a "only preparations," the influential "Frankfurter Zeitung" warned Germany last night that "the real British attack, in which Britain

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Mr. Chamberlain to "See It Through"

London, Apr. 16.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, today revealed that he does not intend to resign until after the Allies have gained a complete victory over Germany. He made this statement in a speech before the National Free Church Council.—United Press.

British Raid Precautions Tightened

Berlin Threats to Use Norwegian Bases Taken Seriously in Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 16.

A country-wide organization designed to give maximum protection against air attacks has been completed by experts of the Maintenance Board, who are satisfied that their arrangements for supplying fuel, ammunition and other essentials to various units are attack-proof. The command's work, is constantly expanding and it has now enlisted co-operation of motor firms with the object of relieving the air force personnel of tasks which might impede its purely fighting efficiency.—Reuter.

Blackouts Made Efficient

London, Apr. 16.

Coincident with the new German threat to assault Britain from Norwegian air bases, British authorities last night issued to the police drastic instructions designed to tighten up England's blackout precautions.

Signifiance was attached to the latest German warning voiced in Berlin yesterday when German officials said they would no longer guarantee not to use Norway as a base for operations against England. Norwegian areas under German control, they said, would become bases for German air and submarine attacks against England because of the landing of British forces in Norway.

The first German threat to intensify air raids against England was made on Friday when Berlin officials warned that Germany would retaliate for the British bombing of a Schleswig-Holstein railway station last week.

A.R.P. Organization Tightened

Air raid precautions in England since the German invasion of Norway and Denmark have been intensified everywhere. The balloon barrage in London has been reinforced and the A.R.P. gas squads and fire squads have been given double drill duty. Police have been very alert in stopping pedestrians carrying too powerful flashlights.

The Ministry of Health issued an appeal to hospitals to recruit voluntary stretcher bearers for duty in the event of German air raids.

The new blackout campaign started on Sunday night when police under special assignment visited hundreds of homes to warn residents where beams of light were showing or where curtains failed to conceal the glow of lights inside. Police warned those visited that drastic action would be taken if the defects in the blackout were not eliminated by tonight. Large fines have recently been imposed on violators of blackout regulations. Authorities are becoming hardened against all excuses for violations of the regulations, pointing out that all concessions consistent with public safety have already been made.

Police said that the most frequent offenders of the blackout regulations were residents of Mayfair and Kensington "luxury flats." They attributed many violations to the fact that the days are becoming longer and many people are forgetting to draw their curtains earlier. The blackout time tonight will be 8.26 p.m.—United Press

Rumania Bans Wheat Export

Reserves of Essential Materials to Be Created

Bucharest, Apr. 16.

The Government has decided to ban the export of wheat, but contracts already concluded or in the course of execution will not come under the ban.

Measures have also been taken prohibiting the export of sunflower seed, hitherto largely purchased by Germany.

The Governmental economic authorities have approved measures to build up reserves of coal, petrol and raw petroleum.—Reuter.

Local Clashes on Western Front

Paris, Apr. 16.

Sharp local engagements, one to the east of the Moselle and another at the frontier of the Palatinate, between enemy detachments and two French reconnaissance parties, are announced in a French communique.—Reuter.

British Nation Pays Tribute to Naval Heroes

The King and Queen greeting widows and children of members of the crews of H.M.S. Exeter and Ajax who were killed in the Montevideo battle—This was part of the ceremony on the Horse Guards Parade, London. Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, is seen in the forefront.

Japanese Action in N.E.I. May Follow War Extension

Foreign Minister's Statement Welcomed by Press In Tokyo; Foreign Powers Warned Not to Intervene

Tokyo, Apr. 16.

HINTS of possible early Japanese action over the Netherlands East Indies were given this morning by the Japanese press as well as the spokesman of the Japanese Foreign Office.

They followed the statement made yesterday of Mr. Hachiro Arita, the Foreign Minister, after a special session of the Cabinet, in which he expressed concern about any situation that might bring about a change in the status of the Netherlands East Indies.

This statement "is a prelude to Japanese action in the matter," declared the Foreign Office spokesman this morning. "At any rate," he added, "we do not want to see the Dutch East Indies fall into alien hands."

Mr. Arita's statement was splashed on front pages under streamer headlines by all newspapers this morning.

Commenting on the declaration, the "Yomiuri Shimbun" points out that it is tantamount to a Japanese request to the foreign Powers concerned for maintenance of the status quo in the Netherlands East Indies.

Overture to Action

"The statement is an overture to action of Japan, which will be taken depending on further developments in the situation in future. While vigilantly watching the situation, the Japanese Government will take proper steps called for by new developments."

Reaction of the foreign Powers concerned, especially Great Britain and the United States, to the statement is worthy of special attention, the paper says.

"The most important part of the statement is its concluding paragraph stating that the Japanese Government must feel concerned over any development accompanying an aggravation of the war in Europe, that may affect the status quo in the Netherlands East Indies. The status quo refers not only to prevailing economic relations between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies, but also to the present political status of the Islands.

Possible Developments

"'Any development accompanying an aggravation of the war in Europe,'" the "Yomiuri" continues, "includes:

"1. A posible British invasion of the Netherlands East Indies.

"2. Possible British or American custody of the islands; and

"3. A possible transfer of the seat of the Netherlands Government to the Netherlands East Indies.

"Japan's deep concern over any development: intimates that the Japanese Government is prepared to take appropriate measures to cope with the situation.

"This is a very strong diplomatic language," the "Yomiuri" adds, "but it is clear from the opening paragraph of the statement that Japan especially feels concerned over her economic relations with the Netherlands East Indies."

Analysing the close economic bonds between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies, the "Japan Advertiser," American-owned newspaper, points out that besides being important for Japanese products because of their population of about 65,000,000 people, the islands are a source of important raw materials.

Before the depression, the paper states, they produced 84 per cent. of the world's quinine, 80 per cent. of kapok, 70 per cent. of pepper, 30 per cent. of rubber, 17 per cent. of tea and ten per cent. of sugar. The islands also contain the largest oil fields in the region, as well as important iron, coal, tin and gold deposits.

In 1933, imports from Japan held the fifth place, exceeding those from Holland, Great Britain and Germany combined. It, therefore, appears that Japan has extensive commercial interests in the Netherlands East Indies.

The paper declares that any talk about disposition of the islands in the hypothetical case of an invasion of Holland reveals the importance which attaches to the issue in the far East Indies—"It is an issue which may have widespread consequences."

In the course of his statement yesterday, Mr. Arita said Japan was economically bound with the South Seas region, especially the Netherlands East Indies, by an intimate relationship of mutuality in ministering to one another's needs.

Other Countries Involved

Similarly, he continued, "other countries of East Asia maintain close economic relations with that region. That is to say that Japan, these countries, and the South Sea region are contributing to the prosperity of East Asia through mutual aid and interdependence.

"Should the hostilities in Europe be extended to the Netherlands and produce a repercussion in the Netherlands East Indies, it would not only interfere with the maintenance and furtherance of the above mentioned

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U.S. Concerned at Threat to N.E.I.

Arita Statement Seen as Careful Preparation for Possible Future Move

Washington, Apr. 16.

Officials here were concerned today over Japan's implied threat to take "protective steps" to assure the "safety" of the Netherlands East Indies.

They feared that the alleged Japanese aspirations might prove to be a serious threat to American imports of rubber and tin.

Some official and political quarters here considered the statement of Mr. Hachiro Arita, Japanese Foreign Minister, to the effect that Japan was concerned over European war developments which might affect the Netherlands East Indies, as a "trial balloon" to ascertain Governmental opinion abroad.

In other circles there was a belief that Japanese seizure of the Netherlands East Indies constituted one of the ultimate objectives of Japanese expansion on the mainland of Asia.

A Careful Feeler

They believed that Mr. Arita's statement might be a carefully timed notice of the resumption of power policy against foreign rights and interests in the Orient, although the declaration refrained from the suggestion that Japan might see the need to take over control of the East Indies. Political commentators, however, said that the statement reminded them of declarations made prior to the Japanese campaigns against Korea, Manchoukuo, North China and Central China, and thus the latest statement served as an indication of possible Japanese moves against the N.E.I.

They further pointed out that the statement was reminiscent of the timing of previous Japanese moves—the invasion of Manchuria in 1931 at a moment when the British navy was weakened and the United States navy was reduced; and the campaign in North China in 1937, which was timed to coincide with the European crisis as a result of the Spanish war. The present statement, they emphasized, comes during the Scandinavian struggle.

On the basis of past records, officials privately expressed their opinion that it was unlikely that the United States would take active military or naval measures to prevent Japanese extension of operations to the Dutch East Indies.

Move Would Be Condemned

They believed the United States would strongly condemn such a Japanese move, although other quarters said the Japanese action might precipitate the long threatened U.S. embargo on exports to Japan.

They, however, said that the Government repeatedly had denied reports of plans between the United States, Britain and Holland or any one else for the United States to undertake the defence of the Dutch East Indies and other Asiatic territory.

Officials, nevertheless, did not deny that the United States were concerned over the maintenance of the status quo in the Dutch East Indies and the Straits Settlements, because they are sources of important war materials required by the United States.—United Press.

Dutch Will Watch Ports Closely

Amsterdam, Apr. 15.

The Dutch authorities, in a move evidently designed to prevent the massing of German "merchant ships and seamen" in their harbours, have announced that the strategic port of Delfzijl, situated at the mouth of the Ems directly across from the German port of Emden, will be under the strictest surveillance.

The communique adds that any ship of more than 440 tons which enters the Ems must ask for a Dutch pilot and submit to the control of the Dutch navy. Any ship which may try to escape this control is exposed to mortal danger.—Havas.

Ratepayers Annual Meeting Today

Long Session Anticipated With Many Grievances to Be Aired

At 2.30 p.m. today the annual meeting of ratepayers in the International Settlement will take place in the public stand at the Shanghai Race Club. Eight formal resolutions, which have been published in the "North-China Daily News," will be proposed and it is also expected that several ratepayers will come forward at the meeting and propose other resolutions dealing with the Council's work in the future.

The adoption of the budget for 1940 it is felt will produce plenty of argumentative speeches from ratepayers at the meeting. The Municipal Orchestra, the various increases in power charges and other long standing bones of contention locally between the S.M.C. and a certain section of the public may receive outspoken criticism at the meeting, which is expected to a lengthy one this year.

A record attendance of ratepayers is expected at the meeting which is being held this year under unusual circumstances in that it follows by a few days a municipal election, which was caused by the nomination of five Japanese candidates instead of two for election to the Council.

The vast interest aroused by the election in the Council's work should be revealed at the meeting today. It is almost a certainty that as in former years many grievances will be given a public airing this afternoon and that the Chairman, Sir Allan Mossop Chief Judge of H.M. Supreme Court, will have a busy session sorting out various supplementary resolutions and amendments to resolutions after the formal business in concluded.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei Flies to Hankow

Hankow, Apr. 16.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei, head of the Nanking Government, arrived here today by aeroplane.

His visit to Hankow was generally unexpected, and his recent trips to various key cities have aroused interested speculation.

Last week, Mr. Wang Ching-wei flew to Peiping, Kalgan and Canton.—Reuter.

Kongsvinger Falls After Fierce Resistance

R.A.F. Again Bomb Stavanger; Airport Useless For Germans; Invading Shock Troops Destroyed

London, Apr. 16.

THE rumour is current here that Norwegian troops have evacuated Kongsvinger upon instructions from the Norwegian High Command. German troops are now entering the town, which is situated north-east of Oslo.

Operations against the German air base at Stavanger, Norway, were continued successfully by Royal Air Force planes last night, the Air Ministry announced in a communique today. Bombers attacked the airport and buildings with large numbers of highly explosive bombs, while incendiary bombs were also used with great effect. Two large fires were seen to break out among the buildings. The British planes returned to their base without suffering a single loss.

This was the Allies' seventh attack on the German-occupied airport since the outbreak of hostilities in Norway. British bombers have swooped down with their deadly missiles, damaging or destroying German planes, hangars and machine-gun posts every day since last Wednesday.

French Co-operation

Official circles here today stressed the importance of the participation of French and Polish units in the recent operations in Scandinavian waters. They see in it not only a political affirmation but also a proof of the coherence of Allied forces in new fields.

The British press pointed out yesterday that there are twenty French warships in Scandinavian waters at present, and continued to stress the importance of the French participation in the operations. All the papers emphasized that the brilliant feat of mining the entire Baltic coast was accomplished with the assistance of French planes.—Havas.

Narik Clear of Germans

Stockholm, Apr. 16.

The German naval units in Narvik have been completely wiped out by the British, according to the "Dagens Nyheter." The landing of British troops in the port was carried out with the protection of heavy naval guns, and the Germans have retreated along the Narvik-Kiruna railway line, where the Norwegian troops are preparing to engage them in combat.

German troops yesterday were dropped by parachute in an attempt to destroy the railroad from Raumas to Port Andalsnes, it was officially announced. They were, however, captured and disarmed before they could reach their objective.

It was also reported by the correspondent in Charlottenberg of the Swedish press agency, that German motorized units are already on the road, and are proceeding towards Kongsvinger. Last reports set the advancing Nazis as only six miles from that city. Norwegian troops have evacuated their positions at Skarnes but are reassembling near Sander, where fierce fighting is occurring in the neighbouring forests. The Swedish correspondent adds that Nazi forces last night effected a flank attack, driving across the ice-bound Glomma River in an effort to dislodge the defending forces from their new positions at Sander.

Norwegians Escape

A great number of Norwegian troops, accompanied by civilians, have crossed the border into Sweden in the last 24 hours, principally in the province of Vaermiland.

The relatively unprepared Norwegians are still fighting stubbornly in the south, but are forced back by the superior numbers and mobility of the German troops. In the north however, they are far better able to resist, taking advantage of the rough terrain and negligible transportation means to draw the invading Germans further away from aid. Bridges are being blown up and railways and roads blocked as they retire.

Near Sarpsborg, the bridge over the Glomma River was blown up.—Havas.

Norwegians Cut Off in South-West

Stockholm, Apr. 16.

Although the Norwegian army is fighting stubbornly to hold up the German drive towards the Swedish frontier north-west of Oslo, the latest reports indicate that the Germans are having considerable local successes in Norway. Attention is focussed on the south-eastern front, where the Germans are reported to have cut off several thousand Norwegians.—Reuter.

Nazi Shock Troops Destroyed

Berne, Apr. 15.

German shock troops supported by armoured cars launched a determined attack on Norwegian lines today to break through to Norwegian headquarters and seize King Haakon in person, the Berlin correspondent of the "Neue Zuercher Zeitung" reported today. The manœuvre failed for the shock troops were brought to a stop before they could even reach the Norwegian lines. Before the armoured cars could turn round and make for their own front, they were destroyed or so seriously damaged they could not move. "Not a single one of the cars returned to its lines," the correspondent concluded.—Havas.

Italy Shows Stand Against Allies

Duce Expected to Make Attitude Clear; Press Takes Pro-German View

Rome, Apr. 16.

Reports are current that the 1st and 2nd Italian naval squadrons started spring exercises yesterday. Official quarters here state that no information is available about the movements of ships. Actually both squadrons have been on partial manœuvres since the middle of March.

The apparent extent of the present manœuvres is a cruise to Durazzo by the 1st Squadron, and from Spenia to Gaeta and round Sicily by the 2nd Squadron.

In diplomatic circles, it is felt that the movements should be regarded as a measure to assist Germany by warning the Allies that the Mediterranean cannot be depleted of units to reinforce those in the North Sea.

French Position Queried

The accusation against France of pursuing an anti-Italian policy since the Treaty of Versailles is made by Signor Virgio Gayda, described as the mouthpiece of Signor Mussolini, in an article today. He asserts that France, which is poorer in manpower than Italy, possesses liberty of action in both the Atlantic and Mediterranean whereas the centre of Italian life is the Mediterranean. France's policy and positions in the Mediterranean, Signor Gayda declares, protect not only national but imperial interests. Italy, he add, recognizes these interests, but cannot agree to their constituting a system of hegemony which superimposes itself upon the elementary needs of life of other nations.—Reuter.

"Co-Operation of Axis"

Berlin, Apr. 16.

It is announced that Prince von Bismarck, at present head of the Political Department of the Foreign Office, has been appointed First Counsellor to the German Embassy in Rome, and that the Second Counsellor at the Embassy, Herr von Plessen, has been given the rank of Minister.

The official German News Agency says: "The strengthening of our diplomatic representation in Rome is a new sign of the active co-operation of the two Axis Powers, and demonstrates the particular importance which Fascist Italy has in the foreign relations of the Reich."—Reuter.

Duce to Make Speech

Rome, Apr. 16.

Signor Benito Mussolini will make an important declaration regarding the Italian attitude toward the European War before executives of the 1942 Italian World's Fair on Saturday, it was reported today.

Police broke up anti-British student demonstrations in Milan and Florence.

More than 100 Italian students marched to the Corso Umberto today and staged an anti-British demonstration, shouting "Down With Churchill," and "Home Fleet Home." Police broke up the group before it reached Venice Palace. Mr. Chamberlain was booed at several moving picture houses today and last night when he appeared in news reels.—United Press.

Italian Press Attitude

Rome, Apr. 15.

"German successes in the far north" were played up once again in the Italian press today and the general impression to be obtained from the newspapers is that the Nazis have gained a brilliant victory over allied forces in Scandinavian waters.

Norwegian resistance is minimized and nothing at all is said about King Haakon's staunch attitude against Germany.

Italian newspapers also report "German victories on the Western Front" and military correspondents vie with each other in praising German military operations and decrying "allied failures."—Havas.

"Extreme Bad Will" Shown

London, Apr. 15.

"Italy's extreme bad will" was the subject of much discussion and speculation in British political quarters today. Her ill humour has been shown so plainly, it was pointed out, that her neighbours Yugoslavia and Greece have found it necessary to take precautionary defence measures.

The British Government has already taken action in regard to the violently anti-Allied campaign waged by the voluble Italian press. A hint was recently dropped at Rome, indicating that newspaper threats and reviling may lead to tension and "the consequences may prove difficult to foresee."

Italy, which still badly needs British coal, probably only wanted to create a diversion in the Mediterranean to help Adolf Hitler in his northern adventure, which would keep him occupied away from the Balkans, it was stated. Whatever the aims and intentions in Rome, British quarters emphasized, the Allies feel not in the least disturbed because "diplomatic and strategic precautions have been taken."—Havas.

German Troop Moves Near Luxembourg

Luxembourg, Apr, 16.

Important movements of troops on the German side of the German-Luxembourg frontier were observed last night, according to a report from Echternac. Some reports stated that these movements were merely those of reliefs, such as occur periodically, but there is no doubt that they were on a considerably larger scale than usual.—Reuter.

German Claims of British Naval Losses Authoritatively Refuted in London

Only Four Destroyers Lost But Nazi Fleet Most Seriously Impaired; Facts Stated

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 16.

British naval losses in Nortth Sea operations since April 8 are only four destroyers, it is affirmed in an authoritative quarter in London when questioned about the German claim that British losses were at least four battleships, eight cruisers and eleven destroyers. Naval circles here are of the opinion that the effective strength of the German Fleet consists of one battle-cruiser, possibly one pocket battleship, one light cruiser, eleven destroyers and half the number of U-boats.

Of Germany's two battle-cruisers, the Gneisenau has been claimed as sunk by the Norwegians, and the Scharnhorst has been seriously damaged by the British battle-cruiser Renown. With the Admiral Graf Spee scuttled and the Admiral Scheer torpedoed, there is only the Deutschland left of pocket-battleships, and she has suddenly become the Lutzow, leaving the former name to be given to one of the new battleships recently launched.

Of the two heavy cruisers, one, later announced by the German command as the Bluecher, has been sunk, but it is thought that this announcement was probably made to cover the loss of the Gneisenau, and that the Bluecher or the other Hipper class vessel has been sunk as well.

One light cruiser was sunk by the Ursula in December, one hit by a torpedo from the Salmon in the same month in circumstances which raise a strong presumption that she sank, one was sunk by a submarine on April 9, one was hit by one bomb off Bergen on April 9, and the Karlsruhe was sunk on April 10.—Reuter.

Fleet Positions Outlined

Paris, Apr. 16.

The respective present positions of the British and German fleets, following last week's encounters off Norway, were outlined today by the London correspondent of "Le Petit Parisien," who said that the Germans have lost from seventy to eighty ships and the British sixteen.

Giving these losses in detail, the writer drew up the following table of respective fleets.

	British S.=Strength; L.=Lost S.	L.	German S.	L.
Battleships and battle-cruisers ..	15	1	5	3
Heavy cruisers	15	0	2	1
Light cruisers ..*..	43	0	6	5
Destroyers	175	10	22	12
Submarines	57	4	71	50 to 60
Aircraft-carriers ..	7	1	0	0
Total		16		70 to 80

In conclusion, the writer stressed that these figures do not include troop transports.—Havas.

German Seamen Enter Sweden from Narvik

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Stockholm, Apr. 16.

Swedish military authorities at the iron ore centre of Kiruna reported that seven Germans, comprising four men of naval forces and three merchant seamen, arrived there yesterday from Narvik, according to the "Aftonbladet."—Reuter.

Reich Desires U-Boat Bases Along Norwegian Coast

Herr Rauschning, Former Nazi Senate Chief In Danzig, Discloses Views on New Invasion

London, Apr. 16.

Herr Hitler's invasion of Denmark and Norway probably have a two-fold aim, the guarding of her iron ore supply from Sweden and the securing of favourable U-boat and aerial bases permitting him to carry out a massive attack against Britain, Herr Hermann Rauschning, former president of the Danzig Senate, told the United Press in an exclusive interview here yesterday.

Herr Rauschning, author of "Hitler Told Me," said "Such an attack against England as is at present being carried out against Norway does not lie outside Hitler's and Goering's ideas on strategy."

"Field Marshal Hermann Goering, once personally intimated to me that he is prepared, in case of extreme necessity, to use the sacrifice of Germany's entire Air Force to enable the Army to occupy England."

Herr Rauschning said he believed the securing of operational bases in Norway constitutes merely the attempted beginning of the realization of the German plan. "The German plan foreshadows two operations," he said, "one of which would be aimed merely at safeguarding her iron ore trade, probably resulting in the occupation of Sweden within the next few days.

"Whether Russia will play a part in this cannot be predicted, but I suppose the Soviets will take advantage of the opportunity to try to secure access to the Atlantic," Herr Rauschning declared. "It is conceivable that there will be Russo-German co-operation without a formal military alliance, in which both powers will purely pursue their own interests. Probably Russia will also occupy the Baltic states simultaneously, and, I would like to say—casually.

"Securing iron ore supplies in the north, however, is only one aspect of the actions Hitler must undertake. The second aspect consists of the task of securing Rumanian oil and also assuring the flow of oil from the Russian oil fields.—United Press.

Community Asked to Help Lester Chinese Hospital

Appeal for More Subscriptions Made at Annual Meeting; 1939 A Difficult Year

AN appeal for more assistance to the Lester Chinese Hospital by the Shanghai community was made at the annual meeting of hospital subscribers which was held yesterday evening. Various references to the difficulties through which the institution was passing were made by several speakers, all of whom referred to the splendid work which the hospital was doing in Shanghai. Mr. A. H. George, H. M. Consul-General, presided at the meeting which was well attended. Before the meeting subscribers were shown around the various departments.

Supporting Mr. A. H. George were Messrs. F. W. Poate, G. A. Haley, J. H. Liddell and the Rev. A. Baxter, trustees; and Mr. E. S. Elliston, secretary.

Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. George referred to the work of the hospital. He stated that the few simple words "emergency cases are seen at any time, day and night" had a world of significance. Those few words meant that a complete staff had to be kept on tiptoe all hours of the day and night throughout the year, including doctors, nurses, telephone operator, dressers, engineering staff, and representatives of almost every other component part of that large institution.

Attempted Suicides

An average of over three attempted suicide cases a day were brought to the hospital. Probably very few of his listeners realized the depths of misery to which so many fellow citizens had fallen. They had to remember that those figures took no account of similar cases being brought to other hospitals in the city. The utmost thanks, Mr. George continued, were due to the Women's Auxiliary for their efforts in comforting those unfortunate people.

The most common means of ending life used by the poor people, the Chairman went on, was by the taking of opium or other harmful drugs. He had been told that the number adopting this method in 1937 was 630, and in 1938, 767. In 1939 the number had reached the formidable figure of 960 which seemed to be ample proof of the very easy accessibility of such drugs nowadays at very little cost.

Those of his listeners, who had lived in England would remember that after visiting their own particular local doctor, they usually had to go around the corner to purchase the prescribed medicine from the local chemist. Special arrangements were made for patients in a hospital found to be suffering from tuberculosis for removal to a sanatorium in a suitable district, or perhaps even to go abroad. Those who were too poor to pay for their upkeep in a large hospital were usually sent to some special institution elsewhere for the poorer classes, while orphans would be removed to some special homes. In Shanghai, however, nearly all those varied functions, and many others, had to be performed under one roof.

Scabies

Referring to scabies, commonly known as itch, he stated that, realizing the difficulties under present abnormal conditions, he still wondered whether something could not be done to counter this trouble, thereby releasing a considerable part of the hospital staff and accommodation for other and more important and urgent work. He had been informed that as much good could be done for the public in this matter by a couple of dozen trained intelligent coolies as by a hundred doctors, provided that they had the necessary premises and appliances. He wondered if the Public Health authorities might not be able to do something on the lines of expanding their present travelling vaccination units or by the extension of their branch health offices. "I can imagine some of the difficulties and complications involved, such as provision of fresh, clean clothing and the destruction of old infectious materials, but I am told that, on a final balance, the community's money would be saved thereby," stated Mr. George.

Referring to the Maternity Department, he stated that 470 mothers were delivered during the year. "We cannot record any quintuplets but we are proud that we had five pairs of twins, all thriving," Mr. George added. He paid a tribute to the work of the Women's Auxiliary and referred to the deaths of the Rev. Ernest Box and Mr. Ellis Pugh, both of whom had been intimately connected with the hospital. He conveyed condolences to Mrs. Box and Mrs. Pugh and other relatives of these two former hospital workers.

Economy

On reading the report he had seen several references to that much overworked but all too necessary word "economy." He felt that that word had governed the whole work of the hospital and he was afraid that the year 1939 would be remembered by many as the year of the decline of the dollar. He was glad to report, however, that the hospital had finished up the year better than they had anticipated in the months of July and August. This was largely due to the timely and welcome aid of the British Fund for Relief in China and the London Missionary Society. Without their aid the difficulties could not have been surmounted.

The working account had reached the enormous figure of $577,506.49, easily a record in the hospital's history. By dint of the greatest care, however, the loss on the year's working was not more than $26,350. Subscriptions from foreign sources also constituted a record, amounting to no less than $21,184. Income under this item from Chinese sources, however, did not show quite the same proportionate improvement and, while realizing the many demands from charitable sources now being made on their friends the Chinese, he suggested to the appropriate authorities that this source might be tapped a little further.

Arduous Year

In proposing a vote of thanks to the staff, Mr. W. C. Bond referred to the work as the most arduous in the history of the hospital. Dealing with the financial side of the work, he stated that the London Missionary Society was withdrawing its support in September and if a substantial sum could be raised by public subscription it would secure their financial position when that support was withdrawn. The financial support which they received from the community was not enough and he looked forward to really generous support from a very much larger proportion of the Shanghai community than had associated itself with the work in the past.

Dr. D. Farquharson replied on behalf of the staff for Dr. J. Lee H. Paterson, Superintendent, now on furlough. He was followed by Dr. H. G. Earle, who spoke on the co-operation between the hospital and the Lester Institute. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr. George proposed by Mr. F. W. Poate.

The trustees were elected as follows:—The Rev. A. Baxter, Messrs. G. A. Haley, J. H. Liddell, and F. W. Poate. The following were elected to the General Committee: Messrs. G. Findlay Andrew, Adam Black, W. C. Bond, Feng Ping-nan, W. Gockson, J. W. Grieve, W. A. Hogarth, J. R. Maughan, W. M. McLennan, Pan Tsze-chuen, W. E. Souter, Wang Yang-tsze, W. H. Way, T. F. Wei, Dr. F. T. Ranson and Dr. Sze Ming-sze.

Hitler Says Kaiser Too Scrupulous

Dr. Burkhardt Discloses Significant Statements Regarding Danzig Issue

Geneva, Apr. 15.

The report which Dr. Karl Burkhardt sent to the League of Nations on December 27, 1939, along with his resignation as High Commissioner of Danzig, have just been published, throwing considerable light on the events leading up to the lightning seizure of Poland.

Dr. Burkhardt describes his task in Danzig between February 18, 1937, and December 27, 1939, and how until the last moment he had tried to effect a rapprochement between the Germans and the Poles.

One document published reproduces the promises and assurances given by Marshal Goering in June, 1937, and Hitler in September of the same year. The document reads in part:

"Goering, in very affirmative terms, emphasized the great value he attached to the presence of an international representative in Danzig, and pointed out that any change in status could only be dangerous in such a complicated situation which must one day be settled smoothly by direct agreement between Poland and Germany.

"In September Hitler declared that he wished Danzig to remain quiet and said he wanted to maintain good relations with Poland. He did not want to raise the Danzig-problem as it would inevitably raise that of the corridor, and later the question of the Sudetens and Austria."

Kaiser's Scruples Mocked

The most important document is the story of the talk Dr. Burkhardt had with Hitler on August 11, 1939.

"The Chancellor declared that if the slightest action was again attempted by the Poles he would pounce upon them like lightning with all powerful arms at his disposal, and of which the Poles had no idea. I said that this would bring about a general conflict. Hitler declared he preferred to make war today rather than tomorrow, and he would not have scruples like the Germany under Kaiser Wilhelm II. but would fight ruthlessly to the last.

"Hitler was of the opinion that he could rely on the Italian and Japanese alliances. He declared that the Russians had no offensive strength.

"Hitler complained that every time he made a step he found Britain and France in his way, and added that a reasonable solution must be found. He would, he said, cease intervention in Danzig if the German minorities were no longer maltreated by the Poles."—Havas.

Why King of Denmark Stopped Resistance

French Envoy Tells War Drama in Interview

Paris, Apr. 16.

King Christian of Denmark personally gave the order for resistance to cease, after Lieutenant Prince Valdemar of Rosenborg, who was in command of the Royal Palace Guards, had ordered his men to fire on the Germans, states M. Bonnefoy Sibour, late French Minister at Copenhagen, in an interview published today in the "Petit Parisien" describing the dramatic sequence of events when Denmark was invaded.

German motorized units arrived at the palace gates a few minutes after their entry into Copenhagen, the Minister is reported to have stated. Three of Prince Valdemar's men had fallen at his side when the King, hearing the firing, came down the palace steps and ordered the resistance to cease. Prince Valdemar was imprisoned. The Germans, however, promised to release him, but his fate is unknown.—Reuter.

Armed Robber Gang's Unlucky Meeting

Four armed robbers in the French Concession, on their way to rob a rice shop, had the misfortune to meet a French police patrol yesterday afternoon. Today the robbers and a fifth accomplice are languishing in the French jail, the outside of which they will not see for a considerable period when their previous crimes are taken into consideration.

Captured on Boulevard Montigny, the robbers are known to have perpetrated eight armed robberies in the French Concession. A quantity of stolen jewellery was found on their persons and one pistol was seized. The fifth man was seized later and in his room more loot was found.

British Forces Landed On Faroe Islands

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The third result, M. Reynaud continues, is that the Germans will have to fight on a new front.

"Without making any predictions on the fate of arms, one thing is certain: on this front the enemy uses his planes, burns his fuel, disperses his artillery and men, while the divisions we send there will find as battle-comrades the Norwegian troops which have already inflicted notable losses upon the enemy."

The fourth and final result is the immense moral shock caused in Germany by the invasion of Scandinavia, the Premier went on.

"Hitler is plunging more and more into crime and, moreover, he made a mistake," the Premier said. "He believed that never again would a neighbouring country resist the threat of his tanks and bombers. He mistook the King of the Norway for Dr. Hacha."

In conclusion, the Premier stressed that the meaning of the fight for freedom is becoming clearer every day. "Trials await us and there will be difficult days, but on these days the enemy will learn once more that the French people are invincible when they fight for freedom," he concluded. —Havas.

Large B.E.F. Sent

London, Apr. 16.

Ships of all kinds, crammed with men, stores and munitions, are steaming across the North Sea en route to strengthen Britain's new expeditionary force in Norway, the "Daily Herald" reported last night. "For hours on Monday trains loaded with essential supplies for our forces in Norway rumbled into British ports," the paper said. "Our warships, newly re-fueled, are escorting the ships carrying these supplies to Norway. Some of these warships had just returned from engagements in the Skager Rak and the Kattegat. The outstanding feature of the operations was the organization which enabled our troops to move almost unnoticed from throughout Britain to embark for Norway. Some military camps in Britain have disappeared overnight as men travelled to embark for the new battlefield. Most of the travel was done at night."

British Control Seas

Britain's announcement yesterday that British forces had been landed at several points along the Norwegian coast was seen here last night as an indication of definite British control of Norwegian waters. Informed quarters said that the British announcement would not have been made so early had London not discovered that Germany knew early on Sunday that the British expeditionary force to Norway was then on the high seas. The announcement yesterday was seen as confirming earlier reports that the British force had reached Norway safely despite Germany's knowledge.

The main purpose of the early announcement, however, was believed to have been to bolster the morale of neutral nations such as Sweden and the Netherlands which now fear early German invasion.

Landing points were believed to included Trondheim, Bergen and Namsos as well as Narvik.—United Press.

French Official Reticence

Paris, Apr. 16.

Official circles here refrained from giving any information this morning regarding the effectives of the Allied expeditionary force in Norway or the points at which the landings were effected. Discretion is essential for, despite their very efficient espionage system in Norway, the Germans seem very badly informed on this subject. These quarters, however, drew attention to the swiftness with which the Allied forces intervened in Norway.

The situation in Norway itself is developing in favour of the Allies. The latest British air and naval operations, such as the torpedoing of German transports in the Skager Rak and the bombings of Bergen and Stavanger, are making it more and more difficult for the German troops in Norway to receive reinforcements and supplies. Proof of this is seen in the increased number of German transport planes being used to bring men and foodstuffs to the soldiers in Norway. However, the airport at Stavanger is of no further use since it has been damaged beyond repair by Allied bombs, while other suitable airports are difficult to find.

With the Allies having landed on the west coast of Norway, the German force round Oslo are intensifying their drive towards the Swedish border. The Germans now control part of the Swedish-Norwegian border from Askim southwards, as well as the railroad from Oslo to Uddevalla. Further north, the Germans are pushing along the Oslo-Karlstad railway line. South of Elverum, they are advancing towards Skarbs, but it appears that in this sector the Norwegians are putting up a stiff fight.—Havas.

One British Merchant Ship Sunk

Month's Record for Reich In Strong Contrast

London, Apr. 16.

Only one British merchant vessel has been lost this month, according to the naval correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The vessel in question was a 208-ton trawler which went down in the North Sea.

Germany, during the same period, lost 25 merchant vessels, several of them being troop transports. Taking an average of 5,000 tons for each German ship, the Reich has lost 125,000 tons of shipping this month. The writer added that the tonnage of German ships captured by the Allies amounts to 113,363 tons.—Havas.

Mr. James R. Young to Visit Shanghai

Tokyo, Apr. 16.

Mr. James R. Young, Far Eastern manager of the International News Service who was released from prison on March 22 after having been sentenced to six months' imprisonment with a three-year stay of execution because of violation of the Army Penal Code, left for Shanghai today. He was accompanied by Mrs. Young.

Mr. Young will visit Shanghai for a fortnight, after which he will return here prior to departing for the United States.—United Press.

Germans Attacked Norway Before Making Demands

Official Norwegian Statement of Facts; Defence Sabotaged; Quisling Resigns

Stockholm, Apr. 16.

FIGHTING between German and Norwegian troops was already in full swing when the German Minister to Norway presented the Nazi demands for German control over Norway to M. Halvdan Koht, Norwegian Foreign Minister, at 5 a.m. on April 9, the Norwegian Government said today in a statement similar to a British White Paper.

The statement said Dr. Hans Braueuer, German Minister to Norway, had informed M. Koht that Germany would not allow the Allies to use Scandinavia as a battlefield against Germany and that he had documentary proof the Allies were imminently occupying Narvik and other points. Therefore, Dr. Braueuer said, certain German military operations were begun to take over the defence of Norway which was not strong enough to resist. He added that Germany believed Norway would not resist the Allies, the statement said.

M. Koht replied that the Norwegian Government alone was capable of replying to the demands, but Dr. Braueuer said an urgent decision was necessary because German action had advanced so far that it could not be altered, the official Norwegian statement asserted.

To this, M. Koht informed the German Minister that the Government's decision was that it was unable to accept the demands, the statement added. Germany's answer was the attack carried out the next morning. Members of the Royal Family, the Government and Parliament were obliged to flee Oslo to avoid capture, the statement said.

Quisling Government Resigns

The German-sponsored Norwegian Government of M. Vidkun Quisling resigned yesterday and a "Property Council" was established under the leadership of M. Ingolf Elster Christensen, 68 years of age, Prefect of Oslo since 1929 and former Minister of War, German sources said here last night. M. Quisling, was made "Director of Demobilization" in the German-occupied areas of Norway.

The new regime is selecting a cabinet and will make renewed attempts to reach a "satisfactory settlement" of the German-Norwegian situation with King Haakon, German quarters said. According to local information, the new Government will rule only the German districts of Norway.

Norwegian Defence Sabotaged

Indicating Nazi interests undermined Norway's defences at many points by obtaining co-operation from certain Norwegian officials, nearly 1,000 Norwegian soldiers, who crossed the Swedish frontier to Karlstad, were quoted by well-informed sources today as saying that sabotage rendered their weapons useless and prevented them from fighting the German forces. The soldiers said it was difficult to determine "how much the betrayal was due to Norwegian officials and how much to bungled orders."

Many Norwegian officers faced such overwhelming opposition and merciless bombardment that resistance would have been foolhardy, it was pointed out.

Many foreign observers believed M. Vidkun Quisling, head of the pro-Nazi Norwegian party, was the "anchor man" in German operations before the actual invasion of Norway.

These observers pointed out that obviously the invasion had been planned carefully since neutral reports claimed that German troops had been in Norwegian ports for more than a week concealed in German freighters and merchant ships. —United Press.

Allies Must Be Supported

London, Apr. 16.

All Norwegian military and civil authorities are ordered to enter into the closest contact with their British and French Allies, and to give all assistance they can, in a proclamation issued by the Norwegian Government following the landing of British troops in Norway

"In the hard times which lie before us," the statement said, "the Norwegian people must establish its right to a victorious national life and national independence."

The Norwegian people are instructed in the proclamation to accept as legal currency English and French coins and notes, as here is said to be not sufficient Norwegian currency. The official rate of exchange, it is added, will be announced after an agreement between the Norwegian Note Bank and the Bank of England.

"We are containuing the fight," concludes an address by the Norwegian Government, broadcast from wireless station still in Norwegian hands. The message refers to the assurances of military assistance from the Allied Powers, and adds: "We are confident that, in co-operation with these countries, we shall win back Norway for the Norwegian people." —Reuter.

Volunteers Pour In

Paris, Apr. 16.

Having been literally swamped with requests by persons wishing to enrol as volunteers in the Norwegian Army, the Norwegian Legation has been compelled to suspend the registration of volunteers for the time being, it was announced here today in an official communique released by the Norwegian Legation.—Havas.

Japanese Raid Cities By Moonlight

Three Chinese Aerodromes Heavily Bombed

A Japanese Naval Air Base, Apr. 16.

Successive air raids were conducted by Japanese naval aircraft against Chinese air and communication bases in Chekiang and Kiangsi provinces today.

This wave of aerial attacks opened with a moonlight raid upon the Lishui areodrome in central Chekiang at 1.30 o'clock in the morning. After the initial onslaught, two other squadrons swooped upon this advanced Chinese air base in central China causing extensive damage.

Yushan, an important station on the Chekiang Kiangsi Railway situated in south-eastern Kiangsi, as well as Kwangsin, south-west of Yushan, were also attacked, the raiders succeeding in destroying the Yushan station, locomotive sheds, coal depots and adjoining munition stores, according to the pilots who took part in the operations.

Despite heavy anti-aircraft fire, another Japanese naval flying unit succeeded in bombing the Kian aerodrome and adjoining munition depots.

All Japanese aircraft taking part in these operations returned to their bases safely.—Domei.

Berlin Says Narvik Still Held

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will throw the full might of her fleet and air force against us, has not yet begun and we must expect it in the near future. We do not under-estimate British strength, although the British have made this mistake regarding us. We know that the British Navy is great and strong. We know that the crews and officers are capable and resolute. We know the English are a ternacious people that means that when the attack comes, it will be conducted with the firmest determination."—United Press.

Amsterdam Observations

The Berlin correspondent of the "Algemeen Handelsblad" says: "The answer has been promised, so reports of the bombing of some English towns are to be expected." This is the latest move in the campaign to build up for the Allies a reputation for "frightfulness." Last week there were veiled threats of reprisals for the alleged bombing of a railway station in Schleswig-Holstein, and now the papers are working up further indignation about the alleged machine-gunning by the British Navy of German sailors swimming helplessly in Narvik harbour.

The note of jubilation over events in Norway has completely disappeared from the German press, and efforts to prepare the public for the loss of Narvik are clearly perceptible.

While official circles freely admit that the German Navy has suffered heavy losses, they deny that they are anything like as big as the British claim.—Reuter.

Difficulties Admitted

Brussels, Apr. 16.

The German press already is beginning to talk of the difficulty of operations in Norway. The "Montag" says: "We must reckon on a continuation of British attacks against Narvik. The German high command knew that war in northern Europe would not be child's play. Such action cannot be assured without losses and without the massive use of all German arms."—Reuter.

Navigation Warning

London, Apr. 16.

The official German wireless last evening repeatedly broadcast an "important navigation warning." "It must be reckoned," it said, "that all lights and beacons on the southern coast of Sweden will be extinguished."—Reuter.

Economic Conference Begins in Peiping

Peiping, Apr. 16.

Convened by the Asia Development Board to improve the economic status of North China, a conference of Japanese and Manchoukuo officials opened at the former State Council building at Nanhai Park today.—Domei.

One Hundred Coolies In Bund Fight

One hundred coolies employed on the French Bund pontoons became engaged in a free for all yesterday afternoon for some unknown reason and the result was a few broken pates and one or two arrests.

The situation looked serious when bamboo poles were swung into action but these were no match for the batons of the French police, about a hundred members of which ended the fight quite easily.

About twenty coolies are believed to have taken sides during a dispute between two of their number, the rest, who were neutral, joining in when bamboo poles were wielded indiscriminately.

Japanese Action in N.E.I. May Follow War Extension

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relations of economic inter-dependence, co-existence and co-operation, but it would create an unfortunate situation from the viewpoint of the maintenance of peace and the stability of East Asia.

"The Japanese Government cannot but manifest its deep concern towards the creation of a situation which may bring about a change in the status of the Netherlands East Indies as a consequence of the aggravation of the war in Europe."—Reuter.

Another Warning

Tokyo, Apr. 16.

The domination of the Netherlands East Indies by any major western Power would force Japan to revise her "non-involvement policy" regarding the European war, the "Japan Times" warned here today.

"Putting the matter plainly," the newspaper declared, "if the Powers involve the Netherlands East Indies in the war Japan may be involved."

Any change in the status of the Far East possessions of the Western Powers as a result of the war must be carried out "only with the full consent and concurrence of Japan", the newspaper declared. "Any attempt to ignore this principle will, obviously, involve a revision of Japan's policy of non-involvement," the newspaper said.

"Obviously," the "Japan Times" continued, "the solution lies only in a complete understanding of Japan, without which Japan might have to act without the understanding of anybody. Japan's policy in the Pacific is one of peaceful development. Its attitude toward the issue between the belligerents will remain unchanged, but a new policy could be raised by the East Indies case, against which the old precedents could not prevail. The Netherlands and Japan have identical ideas concerning the peaceful development of the Pacific islands."—United Press.

Mr. Shao Li-tze Named Envoy to Moscow

Chungking, Apr. 16.

The Foreign Office of the Chinese National Government has officially confirmed the report of the appointment of Mr. Shao Li-tze as the new Chinese Ambassador to Moscow. Mr. Shao Li-tze, accompanied by his wife, is expected to leave shortly for Moscow to assume the new post.

Mr. Shao Li-tze is Vice-President of the Chinese-Soviet Cultural Relations Association, Vice-President of the Chinese branch of the International Peace Campaign, President of the Chinese People's Foreign Relations Association, and Secretary-General of the War Areas Party Political Affairs Committee.—Reuter.

U.S. Will Enter War "Within One Year"

New York, Apr. 16.

"American military experts believe that the United States will enter the European conflict within the next year whatever may be the outcome of the presidential elections."

This sensational statement was made in the "New York Post" by Jay Franklin, the paper's Washington correspondent. "Today, after seven months of war," he added, "these experts are more convinced than ever that the participation of the United States in the conflict is inevitable. The interventionist wind is starting to blow across the United States as a result of the reaction of American public opinion to the invasion of Norway and Denmark by Hitler."—Havas.

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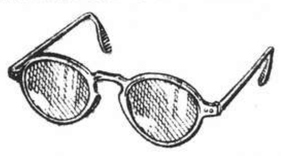
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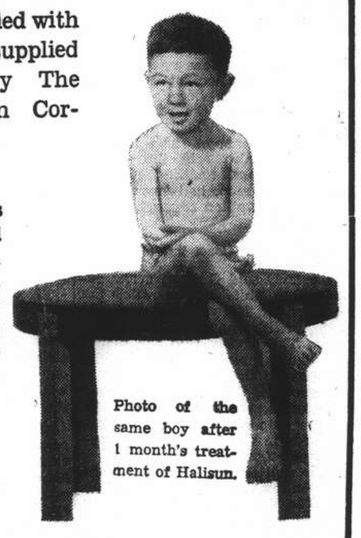
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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE annual meeting of ratepayers will be held today at 2.30 p.m. at the Shanghai Race Club, Public Stand.

MR. Gray, new United States Minister to Eire, has presented his credentials to Mr. Eamon de Valera, Prime Minister.

IN H. M. Police Court before Mr. C. H. Haines, H.M. Registrar, yesterday, Mr. J. F. Brister, 302 Great Western Road, was cautioned for keeping a car without a licence.

MRS. Evans, wife of Mr. A. J. Evans, H.M. Consul in charge of the shipping office, has returned from a lengthy holiday spent in Great Britain.

THE needlecraft section of the British Women's Association advise that the winning tickets for their two raffles are: Elizabeth doll 14, baby shawl 3.

MR. Tu Pao-chi has been appointed Procurator of the Supreme Court in Chungking by order of the Chinese National Government, says a message from Chungking to the "Sin Wan Pao."

A COOLIE named Wong Ah Kwei, employed by the Chu Shun Dairy, off Kiangwan Road, was on April 13, fined $30 by the First Special District Court for selling milk in the Settlement without a licence.

THE current issue of the China Year Book was sold out early this year. A few unsold copies have now been received from abroad and are on sale at the North-China Daily News office at $40 each.

THE Latvian 15th May Association are starting Latvian language classes free of charge to all nationals interested in the old language. Registration may be made with Mr. J. Pure, every afternoon at 86 Tifeng Road, telephone 22653.

To increase the output and to raise the standard of tea produced in Chekiang province, the Chekiang Oil, Tea, Cotton and Silk Control Bureau has started a publicity campaign among tea planters, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

FATHER Gherzi, of the Zikawei Observatory, will be the speaker at this week's Rotary meeting, to be held Thursday, at 12.15 p.m. at the Metropole Hotel, 1st Floor. The subject of Father Gherzi's address will be the "Meteorology of China."

THE rice allowance authorised by the Council for issue to Chinese employees in receipt of monthly salaries of $100 and under, whose names are borne on the departmental monthly pay sheets and who receive no messing, has been fixed at $3.92 for April.

THE American University Club will hold its monthly tiffin meeting in the American Club on Friday, at which time Mr. John Ahlers, writer on economical subjects, will speak on "Some recent developments in the economic situation in the Far East."

IN order to completely suppress opium traffic, seven inspectors have been appointed by the Autonomous Mongolian Political Council, states a report from Yulin to the "Shun Pao." Prince Sha, the Mongolian leader, has expressed a desire to see no more poppies grown within his territory in the current year, the report states.

As the national olympic contest is to be held in Chungking on October 10, the "Double Tenth" national holiday, the Ministry of Education will call a physical culture conference on that date, says a Chungking report to the "Chinese American Daily News." All the provinces of "Free China" will be represented at the conference, the report states.

THE excavation of what are believed to be three tombs of the Han Dynasty was begun on Sunday at Peishanchiao on the outskirts of Chungking. The party of Chinese antiquarians is being led by Mr. Kuo Mo-jo, noted author and Vice-Director of the Political Affairs Department of the Military Affairs Commission, states a Chungking report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

To economize for the duration of war Durham Deanery will be closed from the end of April, after having been in use for nearly nine centuries. The Dean, the Very Rev. C. A. Alington, with the Hon. Mrs. Alington and their family will reside in the college in the house recently occupied by the Dean and Chapter. Mr. C. F. Battiscombe who is now on active service. Miss Joan Alington, the Dean's youngest daughter, married from the Deanery on April 6 and the general move will take place a week or two later. The gardens, however, will be maintained though the Deanery is closed.

THE programme for the Twenty-seventh Sunday Symphony Concert to be given in the Lyceum Theatre on Sunday, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:

Overture "Le Carneval Romain" Berlioz
Symphonic Poem "Psyche" ....Franch
(First Part only: "Sommeil de Psyche)
Symphony in E minor, No. 5 Tschaikowsky
Andante—Allegro con anima
Andante Cantabile
Valse
Andante Maestoso—Allegro vivace
Moderato assai—Presto—Molto meno mosso
Violin-Concerto No. 22 in A minor with Orchestra acc. .....Viotti
Moderato
Adagio
Agitato assai
Soloist: Leonora Valesby
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

THE heavy demand for accommodation between Italy and North and South America necessitated recently the re-arrangement of the sailing schedules of the Italian Lines and the addition of three liners which will be put into commission early in May to cope with the amount of traffic from the Mediterranean to Transatlantic as well as to Transpacific ports, ss. Rex, ss. Conte di Savoia, mv. Augustus and mv. Roma will be placed on the North Atlantic (New York) run, South American (Riverplate) ports will be served, apart from the vessels of the Principesse class, by ss. Virgilio and ss. Conte Grande, and by mv. Vulcania and Saturnia. The two motorvessels Neptunia and Oceania have been commissioned to the South Pacific.

S.V.C. Officers Hold Annual Mess Dinner

High Tribute Paid to Retiring Chairman of Council; Russian Detachment's Important Duties

ON Monday evening the annual S.V.C. officers' mess dinner was held in the S.V.C. Club, when about 130 officers of the Corps attended. The guests of honour were Mr. C. S. Franklin (Chairman of the Council), Mr. G. Godfrey Phillips (Secretary and Commissioner General), Mr. W. J. Keswick (Chairman, Watch Committee, S.M.C.) and Major K. M. Bourne, (Commissioner of Police). After the toast of "Our Respective Rulers", Colonel Hornby, the Commandant, proposed the health of the four guests of Honour. He pointed out that all were well known to the officers of the Corps who were in a position to appreciate the difficulties under which these gentlemen carried out their thankless but highly important work.

He mentioned with genuine regret the retirement of Mr. Franklin from the position of Civil Commandant which he had held, as Chairman of the Council, through the last three troubled years and assured him that the best wishes of the Corps would follow him in his retirement.

It was the first occasion on which Messrs. Phillips and Keswick had been the guests of the Officers of the Corps at their annual dinner. The Commandant voiced the appreciation of the Officers for the capable and courageous way in which Mr. Phillips had carried on the joint and difficult tasks of Secretary and Commissioner General and wished him every success in his high office. He also alluded to the hard work put in by Mr. Keswick on the Council generally, and as Chairman of the Watch Committee particularly, and pointed out that he also set an excellent example by finding time to train as a trooper in the Light Horse with which Unit he rode in the Corps march past.

Allusion to Major Bourne and the excellent co-operation between his splendid Police and the Volunteer Corps drew forth much applause. The Commandant assured Major Bourne that he could rest assured that all just men in the community appreciated the difficulties under which the Police are working and admire the resolute way in which they overcome them.

Russian Detachments Duty

The Commandant then proceeded to give a brief account of the activities of the Corps during the past year. The calls upon the Corps had been limited to co-operation with the Police and regular forces in internal security preventive work. Even more than in the past, the call on the purely Volunteer personnel of the Corps has been considerably lightened by deputing the work required of the Corps to the hard-worked Russian Detachment. In addition to their routine duties, which are considerable, this excellent body of men has repeatedly provided patrols, cordons and piquets for internal security work on occasions which would have called for partial mobilization of the Corps in former years. This functioning of the Russian Detachment in the place of Volunteers has not only kept down mobilization expenses, but has almost eliminated the inconvenience caused in the past to offices by part of their staff being absent on volunteer duty.

The training in the Corps had been rendered more interesting by the introduction of preliminary courses of instruction for officers and N.C.Os.

The strength of the Corps had increased by about 160 since the same date last year. The Commandant pointed out, however, that while this could be considered as a trend in the right direction, many units are still far below establishment and that there are still large numbers of eligible men, especially American and British who are physically fit and have no particular excuse for avoiding their duty to the community.

Presentation Made

After congratulating the Officers of the Corps on their turn out at the Annual Inspection Parade, Colonel Hornby presented a miniature corps colour to Mr. C. S. Franklin from the Officers as a token of their appreciation of his services as Civil Commandant during the past three years.

Mr. C. S. Franklin in reply thanked the officers for inviting him to be present and for the excellent memento they had given him. He said that some day his son would come into possession of it, and he hoped that by then his son would be a member of the famous S.V.C. He was proud of the fact that he himself had served in such an organization with its record of 87 years service to the community, and he added that Shanghai should be proud of such a body of men, and grateful for what the S.V.C. had done in the past; he was sure that in the future it would maintain its inheritage.

Mr. Godfrey Phillips then spoke of the pleasure it gave him to be a guest of the S.V.C. officers, and thanked the Commandant for his good wishes. Mr. Keswick mentioned that his father had been a member of the Corps and he himself was proud to serve as a trooper in the Light Horse. Major Bourne said that he thanked the members of the Corps for the readiness and cheerfulness with which they turned out to help the police maintain our internal security.

S.V.C. Symbol of Internationalism

The Shanghai Volunteer Corps was described as a symbol of the international composition of the Settlement, by Mr. C. S. Franklin, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, in a letter to Colonel J. W. Hornby, Commandant of the S.V.C., in which the Chairman complimented the organization for the splendid showing made on the occasion of the Annual Parade of the S.V.C. last Sunday. Mr. Franklin also expressed his thanks to the Corps for its important part in preserving internal security.

The letter follows:

"The citizens of this Settlement and its Council were, yesterday, privileged to witness a parade of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps marking the 87th year of its long and honoured history. It was again with exemplary bearing and precision that all units of the Corps carried out the ceremonies of this important annual event, and afforded a re-assurance that the Corps remains in as highly efficient a state as ever.

The Volunteer Corps is a striking symbol of that characteristic of the Settlement which, more than at any other time, requires emphasis, namely its international composition. If certain units dominate perhaps in numerical strength, nevertheless the purpose and spirit of the individual contribution is the good of the Corps as a whole.

The public and the Council well know the arduous duties which the present disturbed conditions impose upon Volunteers and I take this opportunity to thank the Corps for its important part in preserving our internal security."

Kidnapping Gang In Court

100 Children Reported to Have Been Taken and Sold in South China

More revelations were made yesterday in the First Special District Court when 10 child abductor suspects, six of whom are women, appeared again before the judge, it being asserted by the police that more than 100 local Chinese children have been abducted by the gang said to be the biggest of its kind operating here with headquarters in Hongkew and that at least 19 children, including the two already rescued, have been identified by their worried parents. In view of the complicated nature of the case the police did not frame any charges against the accused but merely asked the judge to postpone the hearing for another two weeks to facilitate extensive investigations.

Parents of 18 kidnapped children were in court yesterday to identify the garments worn by their offspring at the time of their disappearance and it was also brought to light that, besides identifying garments, parents of missing children might also go to the Kashing Road Police, within whose district the abduction gang was located, to identify pictures of their children. These pictures were taken by members of the gang in order to obtain military passes allowing them to send their victims to outports for sale and in order to obtain these pictures the police have raided two photograph studios in Ward Road and East Seward Road.

Parents of 19 kidnapped children have so far been able to identify their beloved ones by either seeing their garments or pictures but excepting two children, whom the police rescued last week when they raided the headquarters of the gang disguised as a wine and cigarette shop at 355 Paoting Road, all the other missing children are believed to have been transported and sold in outports most probably in Amoy and other places in Fukien. As more investigations will be made, there are bound to be more happy re-unions between worried parents and kidnapped children although it will take time.

It was revealed in court that the gang had been operating on a most extensive scale and the fact that the police had seized more than 100 children's garments at its headquarters indicates that the gang had been doing their job with some capital too. It was revealed during the previous hearing that once when they had kidnapped a child they changed the clothing so that the victim might not be recognized by their relatives or friends.

Chungking Recruiting Technical Men

Help for Reconstruction Schemes Needed

While conscription and voluntary military service are occupying the attention of military authorities at Chungking, another nation-wide campaign has now been launched even in occupied areas for the purpose of recruiting all technical and professional men and skilled workers who are badly needed in the Chungking-controlled interior in carrying out various reconstruction programmes.

Chinese reports reveal that for launching such a campaign, the "War-time Social Service Personnel Adjustment Society" has been established by Chungking mainly for the purpose of putting right persons in jobs best suitable for them. By doing so, it is stated, the authorities are trying to settle the unemployment problem while accelerating efficiency by placing important work in the hands of experts.

It has been found by the authorities that while there is an apparent lack of technical men in the interior, numerous such persons are living in difficulties in occupied districts being unable to do their bit for their Government. In addition to establishing the head office of the new society in Chungking, it is pointed out, they have seen fit to maintain branch societies in other places and for registering technical men in Chekiang and Kiangsu areas a branch society recently came into existence.

False Pretences Charge Against Indian

Charged with obtaining a suit by false pretences Talog Singh, a British Indian subject appeared before Mr. C. H. Haines, H.M. Registrar, yesterday. The case was adjourned until 10 a.m. today.

The charge against Talog Singh was that on December 23 at Myburgh Road, with intent to defraud, he obtained from Siang Chang-shing one suit of clothes, valued at $50, by falsely representing that he had been sent by his brother Sardan Singh.

Vaccination Passes for Nanking Necessary

Travellers into Nanking must carry certificates of anti-cholera injection dated within the past three months in order to enter the city, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reported yesterday. A certificate issued by a foreign doctor without the confirmation of a Japanese or Chinese authorities would be invalid, the paper added.

Unusual Incident In U.S. Court

Plaintiff Refuses to Give Evidence in Claim Against Insurance Company

An unusual incident took place in the United States Consular Court yesterday morning when Mr. Erwin Gruenbaum, plaintiff in a claim against the Insurance Company of North America, China Branch, refused to enter the witness box and give evidence under oath. The plaintiff had no other witnesses and consequently Commissioner N. E. Lurton granted a dismissal at the request of the plaintiff's attorney, Dr. Fritz Daniel. Dr. Harris G. Nelson appeared for the defendant company.

In his complaint Mr. Gruenbaum alleged that on January 27, 1939, an agreement was made between the defendant firm, whose general agent in Shanghai is Mr. R. A. Kreulen, and the plaintiff whereby the plaintiff was to receive a guaranteed drawing account of $100 a month for six months as long as he worked exclusively for the defendant. Any commission over and above this amount was to be paid to the plaintiff but if the plaintiff took up employment with any other company or companies the agreement would automatically cease.

One of Mr. Gruenbaum's clients was the firm of Messrs. Sapt, Ltd., Shanghai, who gave orders to the defendant for Marine and Fire insurance policies. Mr. Gruenbaum claimed that he had given this firm an application book and in consequence of this fact, for all orders given by the firm of Sapt, Ltd., the plaintiff claims commissions. Mr. Gruenbaum alleged that the defendant violated the agreement made with the plaintiff. He claimed that the defendant had several offices representing him in Shanghai and that the firm of Sapt, Ltd., suddenly gave orders for policies to the different offices of the defendant and did not place orders direct with the defendant.

Commission Claimed

That was a matter which concerned the firm of Sapt, Ltd., the plaintiff claimed, but the commission should be given to the plaintiff in all cases. The plaintiff stated that if any firm is an agent's client the agent has the right to get all commissions which will occur from business placed with that firm. If any company has several offices and the agent of one office has a certain client, this agent has the right to get all commissions, whether the business is placed in his office or in another office, according to the plaintiff.

As he did not know what his commissions amounted to the plaintiff claimed a minimum of US$100 and requested that the books of all offices of the defendant be examined by an accountant. Possibly through ignorance of U.S. Court procedure, the plaintiff refused to testify and the case was dismissed, without prejudice, upon a motion of the attorney for the plaintiff.

S.M.C. to Retire Press Officer

Mr. J. W. Fraser Falls Victim to Economy Plan

In accordance with the recent decision of the Shanghai Municipal Council to attempt to economize on the budget by dismissing certain foreign employees from various departments of the S.M.C., Mr. J. W. Fraser, who has had charge of publicity for the Council, is being retired from the staff of the Council Secretariat in the near future.

First on the list of the Council's purge were eight members of the Public Works Department, some of whom are reported to have resigned already. Some of the men who have qualified to do so will draw pensions while others will receive a certain allowance for each year of service with the S.M.C.

China Trade Act Case Ends

Legal arguments by attorneys for both petitioner and respondent were concluded before Judge Milton J. Helmick in the American Asiatic Underwriters' suit against Miss A. Viola Smith, China Trade Act Registrar, in which the A. A. U. are seeking a declaratory judgment on certain clauses of the China Trade Act relating to holding companies, in the United States Court for China yesterday morning. Mr. George Richardson appeared for the A. A. U. while Miss Smith was represented by Mr. Leighton Shields.

Judge Helmick ordered both attorneys to file briefs in the Court and reserved his decision until a later date.

Danish Envoy in London To Retain Status

Shipping Must Sail Under Allied Flags

London, Apr. 15.

The Danish Minister here, E.V.S.C Greve Reventlow, will be permitted to continue full exercise of his diplomatic privileges in his capacity as Minister of Iceland, authoritative quarters announced today.

Danish ships, however, will not be allowed to take to sea flying the colours of Iceland, which proclaimed conditional independence from Denmark when the latter was invaded and occupied by Germany on April 9.

All Danish vessels will fly Allied flags for the duration of the war, then will be returned to Denmark.

The position of Danish citizens in Britain has not yet been cleared up, but it was believed they would be treated like other neutrals, with the possible exception of a number of well known Nazi sympathizers among them.—Havas.

U.S. Releases Latest Aircraft to Allies

France, Britain to Pay Half Cost of Research

Washington, Apr. 16.

All obstacles to the sale of United States planes to the Allies were removed when the Anglo-French Purchasing Commission agreed, "without reservation or complaint," to the United States Government's conditions for the release of the latest types of aircraft, declared the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, today.

Mr. Morgenthau declined to reveal the conditions, but the Allies are understood to have agreed to pay at least part of the cost of research for developing the most recent models.—Reuter.

Emperor to Pay Homage At Yasukuni Shrine

Tokyo, Apr. 16.

Homage to Japan's war-dead will be paid by the Emperor and the Empress at Yasukuni Shrine on April 25, at a special festival to honour military and civilian Japanese dead enshrined there, Court circles announced today.—Domei.

U.S. Press Attacks Nazi Invasion

"American Neutrality Does Not Imply Cowardly Silence"

London, Apr. 16.

President Roosevelt's blunt condemnation of the German invasion of Norway and Denmark is supported in an editorial in the "New York Times," which says: "American neutrality doesn't imply cowardly silence in the face of a brutal invasion of small countries," states a special commentary issued here.

"The President expressed the feelings of the overwhelming majority of our people," the "New York Times" asserts.

Referring to the Scandinavian merchant marine, the paper continues: "Hitler has generously handed back to the Allies more than all of their merchant shipping tonnage sunk by German submarines and mines since the start of the war. A large part of the Norwegian and Danish merchant fleets now fall into Allied hands. The British and French have received no handsomer present from their enemy in this or any other war. It will be more difficult than ever for Germany to starve the British by her sea warfare or to prevent the Allies from building up a crushing preponderance in war materials."

Belgian Press on Successes

The Brussels press generally features in glowing headlines the British naval successes, the special commentary goes on. Though many tributes are paid to participants in the Narvik action, commentators seem even more impressed by mine-laying along the Baltic coast.

The "Pays Reel," in an article entitled "Honneur Aux Anglais," writes: "Still more brilliant, though more discreet, is mine-laying in the German internal lake from Copenhagen to Memel. The mines may be swept but the fact that the navy has slipped through a network of German coast defences is stupendous. This action is one of highest heroism."

States "Le Peuple," "Germany is henceforth not only cut off from the North Sea but cannot navigate in her own lake. The real blockade is now beginning."

The Brussels "Gazette de Charleroi" writes: "The Allies have spontaneously, rapidly and effectively helped Norway despite the great intervening distance. They will help us even quicker if we are attacked in our turn, because our country is nearer and they have guaranteed its integrity."—Reuter.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK

TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 1940

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 3/32d.	....	$ 58.63
U.S. $100 @ 5 15/16	....	$1,684.21
Francs 301	....	$100
Yen 25¼	....	100
Guilders 11	....	100
Rupees 22¾	....	100
Pesos 11⅛	....	100
Hongkong $27⅜	....	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 3/16	....	$ 57.31
U.S. $100 @ 6 1/16	....	$1,649.48
London—demand, $1=	....	4 3/16d.
4 months' sight credits	....	4 7/32d.
4 months' sight docts	....	4¼d.
6 months' sight credits	....	4 7/32d.
6 months' sight docts	....	4 9/32d.
New York—demand, $100=	....	U.S.$6 1/16
4 months' sight credits	....	U.S.$6 1/16
4 months' sight docts	....	U.S.$6 1/16

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ...... 4⅛d. U.S. $5 15/16
Hongkong/London 1/2⅞

WEI WAH DISCOUNT

Wei Wah $1,069.00 ..........C.N.$1,000.00

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

Netherlands Guilders ......Buying 11⅝
Java Guilders .... " 11½
Netherlands Guilders ......Selling 11¼
Java Guilders .... " 11⅛

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO., INC.

Buying U.S.$100=$1,632.653 £1=$57.313
Selling U.S.$100=$1,684.210 £1=$58.625

BANQUE BELGE POUR L'ETRANGER

Belgas 0.35¼=$1 Belgas 20.85=£1

ITALIAN BANK FOR CHINA

It. Lire 1.17=$1 Swiss Frs. 0.26½=$1
Tourist Lire 1.40 ....$1

HUA HSING COMMERCIAL BANK

Sterling Selling Rate @ 6d per H.H.$ 1
" Buying " @ 6 1/32* " H.H.$ 1
U.S.$ Selling " @ 8 13/32 " H.H.$100
" Buying " @ 8 15/32 " H.H.$100
Local $ (Fapi) selling @ 144 per H.H.$100
buying @ 149 " H.H.$100

CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.708
Gold Unit 1.00—Local Dollar $4.035
*—Nominal.

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest	4⅛	Lowest	4⅛
U.S. G.$		5 15/32		5 15/32
Yen		—		—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Selling	Cash		April	Buying
£ T.T.	4 3/32	4 m/s. l.c.		4 3/16
G.$ T.T.	5 15/16	4 m/s. l.c.		6 1/16
Fcs. T.T.	299	4 m/s.		315
Rs. T.T.	22⅞	15 d/s.		23¼

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20¾	20 11/16
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—

Bombay offtake 50 bars.

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

New York closing Rate for Cash 3.50⅜
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash 3.45½
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash 3.49½

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 3/32 sterling and 5 15/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened with sellers for cash at 4⅛ sterling and 5 15/16 U.S.$. Again there was pressure on U.S.$ rates and forward deliveries and though steady for near market was weak forward. The market closed with sellers at:—

4⅛	sterling	5 15/16	U.S.$	Cash
4 3/32	"	5 15/16	"	Apr.
3⅞	"	5⅝	"	May

Foreign Money Rates

London: Apr. 15.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills	6 months	1 1/16%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2⅜%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0⅞%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B 0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Apr. 15.

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	89½	London	1/5 31/32
New York	332¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	23¼	,, sellers	1/5 31/32
Hongkong	83½	,, buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		,, sellers	90⅝
		,, buyers	88¾

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Shanghai	4¼d.
Paris	176.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Amsterdam	7.53	Hongkong	1/2 29/32
Brussels	23.75	Singapore	2/4 1/32
Madrid	38.50	Yokohama	1/4 1/32
Milan	68.75	,, (buying)	1/3 15/16
Berne	17.85		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Brazil	5.10
Spain	9.95	Japan	23.48
Holland	53.08½	Shanghai	6.20
Paris	1.98⅝	Hungary	17.70
Brussels	16.81	Rumania	0.53 N
Italy	5.05	Yugo Slavia	2.35
S'zerland	22.42½	Greece	0.66½
Sweden	23.75	Finland	2.00
Montreal	86.125		
London			3.50⅜
,, demand			3.50⅞
Buenos Aires, paper			29.78
,, market rate			22.97
Montreal on London			4.07¼

U.S. Steel Mill Operations

New York, Apr. 15.

Steel mill activity in the United States for the week commencing April 15, was placed at 60.9 per cent. of capacity, according to the weekly report of the American Iron and Steel Institute, which was issued today. This represents a decrease of 0.4 per cent. of capacity from the previous week, but an increase of 10.0 per cent. of capacity compared with the corresponding period of last year.—Reuter.

Silver Quotations

London, Apr. 16.

Silver prices advanced in London today, with quotations being recorded as follows:—

	Apr. 15	Apr. 16
London spot	20¾d.	20⅞d.
" forward	20 11/16d.	20¾d.
" gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Cross Rates

London/New York	U.S.$4.0350	59.478d.
New York/London	3.50⅜	68.5d.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The firmness and activity of the market at the day previous were extended to yesterday's trading and although heavy profit taking for a time reduced gains, the pressure of buying orders more than offset profit taking, and towards the close rates hardened, again closing at the best levels of the day.

Wheelocks led the advance, rising spectacularly, for the third day in succession, to a new high of 184. All profit taking in this stock was easily absorbed.

Dockyards were very erratic on reports of an extension of the strike to Pootung.

Loans and I. I. Trust continued active and new highs, at 31 and 28¼, were again recorded.

Ewos had a big day, reaching a new high at 62 on very heavy speculative purchases. Up to date, the turnover in monetary value this week easily constitutes a record, and it will be very interesting to see whether or not, in face of the stringent money situation, there will be a heavier than usual weekend liquidation.

Rubber shares had a smaller turnover, but had a distinctly better undertone.

Official Averages

1940 High	Low		Today's Average	Change
359.91	105.32	General	350.81	+8.00
475.35	95.55	Rubbers	374.01	—1.83

Total 522,395 shares, 1,667 bonds.

Business Done

15/4/40

Stock	Qty	Price	Qty	Price	Qty	Price
Padang			1000	3.65	1000	3.70
Power 5½% Debs.					165000	*‡87.75
I. I. Trust			500	28.00	3000	*28.00
	5000	27.75	3500	*27.75	6000	28.00
	3500	28.25	500	*28.25	500	*28.00
	4000	28.00	5500	27.75	1000	*27.75
	2500	27.50	2500	*27.75	1000	*27.50
	†5000	27.75	2000	27.50	1500	*28.00
	6500	28.00	1000	*28.25	4500	28.25
	1000	28.00				
S'hai Loan			5000	*29.50	4000	29.50
	3500	29.75	1000	*29.25	500	29.50
	500	29.75	4500	30.00	1000	*30.00
	†4000	*30.00	2500	30.00	2000	30.25
	4000	30.50	1500	31.00		
Yangtsze Finance					4500	18.80
	8000	18.70	2500	18.80	500	*18.80
	1000	18.90	500	*18.70	500	18.50
	2000	18.60				
	†500	*18.50	1000	18.50	3500	18.60
	2500	18.70				
S'hai Securities			500	6.00	1000	6.05
	500	6.00				
	†1000	6.05				
Int. Assurance			1500	14.20	500	14.40
	2500	14.50				
	†500	14.70	500	14.80	500	15.00
	500	15.50				
China Realty			500	*8.50	500	8.40
	500	*8.45	1000	8.30	1500	8.20
	1000	8.05	5000	8.00	6000	7.95
	2500	7.90				
	†500	7.95	2500	8.00	500	8.05
	500	*7.90	500	8.05	3500	8.00
S'hai Land			2000	14.60	1000	14.70
	3000	14.90	500	14.80	1000	*15.00
	3000	14.90	1000	*14.90	500	*15.00
	500	14.90				
	†500	15.00	1500	14.90	1000	*15.00
	2000	15.00				
Dockyards			100	48.50	1400	*48.50
	900	48.25	200	*48.25	900	48.00
	300	*48.00	800	48.50	100	*48.75
	1200	*48.50	1100	48.75	1100	*49.00
	2900	49.00	300	48.25	1000	48.75
	100	*48.75	100	*49.00	600	48.75
	1100	48.50	600	*48.75	100	48.75
	400	48.50	700	48.25	1900	48.00
	2100	47.75	1000	*47.75	1100	47.50
	200	47.25	300	*47.50	300	47.25
	600	*47.00	600	47.00	200	47.25
	700	*47.00	1000	47.00	600	47.25
	200	*47.00	1200	47.00	100	46.75
	200	*47.00	600	47.00	100	46.50
	500	46.75	500	*46.50	200	47.00
	100	46.75	1000	46.50	500	*46.25
	1000	*46.50	1800	46.50	400	*46.25
	200	46.25	1100	46.75	1300	47.25
	100	*47.25	400	47.50	400	47.75
	700	48.00	400	*48.00	900	47.75
	1900	47.50	1200	*47.50	500	47.25
	400	47.75	1100	47.50	1900	47.25
	200	*47.00	900	47.00		
	†100	*47.00	200	*47.25	500	47.50
	1500	47.25	200	*47.25	200	*47.50
	2700	47.50	200	*47.75	3300	47.75
	100	47.50	900	48.00	100	*48.00
	200	47.75				
S. & H. Wharf			†50	*475.00	30	475.00
Wheelock			200	165.00	200	164.00
	100	168.00	100	167.50	100	167.00
	200	169.00	200	170.00	100	*172.00
	200	172.00	200	173.00	200	175.00
	100	174.00	100	173.00	100	174.50
	200	175.00	400	*175.00	100	174.50
	600	175.00	300	176.00	600	177.00
	200	*176.00	100	176.50	200	177.00
	400	179.00	300	*179.00	400	178.50
	200	178.00	100	179.00	200	179.50
	100	180.00	100	181.00		
	†200	183.50	600	184.00	400	183.50
	100	182.50	200	184.00	100	183.50
	100	*183.50	300	183.00	100	183.25
	500	183.50	300	183.00	900	184.00
	300	183.50				
C. G. Omnibus			1500	32.00	200	*32.00
	500	31.75	500	*31.75	100	31.50
	200	32.00	500	31.75		
	†400	31.75	700	31.50		
S'dai Gas			800	23.00	1100	23.25
	100	23.50	500	23.00	100	23.25
	900	23.50				
	†1100	23.50	200	23.75	100	23.50
Telephone			500	30.50	4600	30.75
	700	30.25	100	31.00	100	31.25
	500	31.00				
	†400	31.00	1100	31.25	1300	31.50
	100	31.25				
Tram (Bearer) £1					700	56.00
	200	56.50	100	*56.00		
	†500	56.00				
Tram (Regd.) £1					†200	52.50
Metal			200	33.75	200	33.50
	900	33.75	100	*33.75	2400	34.00
	600	*34.00	200	*34.25	1000	34.25
	2000	34.50	300	*34.50	200	*34.25
	600	34.25	300	*34.00	600	34.00
	500	33.75	100	*34.00	2900	33.50
	200	*33.50	600	33.75	600	*33.75
	1100	33.25	1800	33.50	200	*33.25
	900	*33.50	400	33.75	1500	33.50
	†100	33.75	100	33.50	1400	33.75
	100	34.00	400	*33.75	100	*33.50
	1400	33.75	600	*34.00	100	*33.75
	300	*34.00	100	34.00		
Kaiping			500	59.00	200	*59.50
	100	59.50	2000	60.00	200	59.50
	†100	*60.00	100	*60.50	1000	60.00
Lumber			100	58.50	700	60.00
	100	59.00	500	59.50	400	*60.00
	100	59.50				
	†300	59.50	1800	60.00	200	*60.00
Exploration			1500	*22.00	1500	22.25
	3000	22.50	5000	23.00	2500	22.75
	500	23.25	2000	23.00	3000	22.75
	500	*22.75	2000	*22.50	3500	22.50
	1000	22.75	5500	22.50	1000	*22.50
	4000	22.25				
	†2500	22.00	2500	*22.00	500	21.75
	500	*22.00	4500	22.00	500	21.75
	1000	*22.25				
Power (Pref)					10	132.00
	†20	131.75	70	131.00		
Ewo Mills (Ord)			500	55.50	100	*55.50
	2000	56.00	400	*56.00	300	57.00
	100	58.00	700	58.50	400	*58.50
	100	59.00	1200	59.50	800	*59.50
	400	*60.00	1300	60.00	600	59.00
	800	*59.00	300	59.50	100	59.50
	1100	59.00	600	59.50	100	*59.00
	400	58.00	300	58.50	600	58.50
	2300	58.00	600	*58.00	600	*57.50
	400	57.50	1800	58.50	200	58.00
	300	*58.50	500	*59.00	400	59.00
	800	*58.50	2600	58.50	800	58.00
	100	*58.00	500	58.50		
	†100	58.50	1100	*59.00	1800	59.00
	100	58.50	1800	59.50	1200	*59.00
	400	*59.50	100	*60.00	100	*59.50
	200	59.50	1100	*60.00	300	60.00
	300	*59.50	1500	*60.00	3700	60.00
	2200	60.50	2900	61.00	300	62.00
China Finance					2000	1.90
	†1000	1.90				
Alma					100	54.00
Anglo Dutch					300	25.25
	†300	25.50	100	*25.50	400	25.75
	200	25.50	100	*25.75		
Anglo Java			500	45.25	100	*45.25
	500	45.00	200	45.25	900	45.00
	†700	45.00	200	*45.00		
Bute					†1000	11.50
Chemor					1000	3.80
Cheng			1000	1.14	1000	1.16
	2000	1.18				
	†5000	1.16	1000	*1.16	2000	1.18
Consolidated			500	10.90	500	11.00
	†1000	11.00	500	11.10	500	11.00
Dominion					†1500	14.90
Java Consolidated				X.D.	2000	5.50
	1000	5.50				
	†4000	5.60				
Kroewoek			1000	*3.52½	1000	3.55
	3000	3.52½	1000	*3.50	1000	3.50
	2000	3.45	5000	*3.42½		
	†2000	3.42½	1000	3.40	1000	*3.37½
	1000	3.40				
Langkat			100	33.50	100	33.00
	500	33.25	300	33.00	400	*33.00
	300	32.75	400	32.50	200	*32.50
	600	32.75	400	*33.00	1000	33.00
	500	*33.25	1000	33.00	1200	32.75
	†1300	32.75	800	32.50	400	*32.50
	200	*32.75				
Padang			†1000	3.70	1000	3.65
Repah			1000	2.07½	6000	2.10
	†1000	*2.10	8000	2.10		
Rubber Trust			3500	12.60	500	12.70
	†1000	12.70	2500	12.60		
Samagaga					†1000	2.65
Semambu					1000	2.10
	†1000	2.10				
Senawang					2000	2.60
	†1000	2.60	1000	2.57½	3000	2.60
Kedah					500	*14.80
	†1000	14.90				
Kelantan			3000	1.30	2000	1.28
	†1000	1.28	3000	1.30	2000	*1.28
	1000	1.28				
Pahang					†3000	7.50
Sungala					1500	10.00
	†500	*10.00	500	10.00		
Tanah Merah					†1000	4.60
Tebong			4000	2.10	1000	*2.15
	2000	2.12½	4000	2.15		
	†6000	2.17½				
Ziangbe			400	34.00	100	33.75
	200	34.00				
	†200	33.75	100	33.50		
Power 5½% Debs.					†1000	87.75

ODD LOTS

Stock	Qty	Price	Qty	Price	Qty	Price
Power (Pref)					700	87.75
	†7	132.00				
Yangtsze Finance			150	18.60	200	*18.70
	120	*18.90	200	18.90	100	*18.70
	100	18.60	100	18.30		
	†20	18.30	100	18.30		
Exploration			100	22.75	480	22.75
	100	22.25	200	22.75		
I. I. Trust			300	27.25	200	28.25
Ewo Mills (Ord)					50	58.00
Samagaga			500	2.60	500	2.62½
Dockyards					30	47.25
Telephone					20	30.75
	†40	31.00				
Wheelock					20	177.50
	†20	183.00				
S. & H. Wharf					14	457.50
	†1	465.00				
Kelantan					500	1.26
China Realty			†150	7.90	100	7.95
	146	7.95	32	*8.00		
S'hai Loan			†100	30.00	100	*30.25
	300	*30.25				
S'hai Land			†100	14.80	100	14.80
Ewo Mills (Ord)					†37	59.00
Consolidated					†100	10.90
S'hai Gas			†60	*24.00	50	23.25
Senawang					†500	2.62½
Bute					†500	11.50
Rubber Trust					†100	12.60

*—Director Business.
‡—Outport Business.
†—Afternoon Business.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 15.

Quietly firm conditions prevailed on the London Stock Exchange today with prices in most sections tending to improve, despite the paucity of business. Final payment on the new 3 per cent. War Loan issue was made today. Over £100,000,000 changed hands, but without any disturbance to the money market where adequate preliminary arrangements had previously been made in order to facilitate the operation.—Reuter.

	Apr. 12	13
War Loan, 3½% (Red.)	£98⅞	99 1/16

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	47¾	48
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	53¼	53¾

Osaka, Apr. 16.

Kogo 5% Y.106.71

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	14/-	14/-
Armstrong Stevens	6/-	6/-
Ass. & Elec. Indus.	39/1½	39/-
Austin Motors, ord.	15/7½	15/6
Bristol Aeroplane	14/9	14/9
British American Tob.	106/3	106/9
Cable & W., new form	60½	61½
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/3	7/3
Courtaulds	38/-	38/1½
Distillers	68/-	68/-
Dunlop Rubber	35/9	36/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	79/7½	80/1½
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	78/3	78/3
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	13/-	12/9
Imp. Chem. Indus.	31/3	31/6
Imp. Tobacco	115/7½	115/7½
Leyland Motors	73/9	73/9
Marks & Spencer "A" pfd.	52/-	52/3
Pressed Steel, com.	17/3	17/3
Rolls-Royce	89/4½	90/7½
Smethwick Drop Forgings	14/-	13/9
Tate & Lyle	54/-	54/3
Turner & Newall	64/9	65/1½
United Steel	22/7½	22/9
Vickers, ord.	17/3	17/7½
Woolworths	63/6	64/-

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo-Dutch	22/9	22/9
Rubber Pltn. Inv. Trust	30/9	30/9

MINES

Burma Corp.	9/7½	9/6
Commonwealth Min.	Unq.	Unq.
Marman Invests.	14/-	14/-
Randfontein Ests.	39/4½	38/9
Sub-Nigel	196/3	195/-
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.
Western Holdings	17/1½	17/3

OILS

Anglo-Iranian	53/9	54/4½
Burmah	70/-	71/3
Mexican Eagle	6/4½	6/4½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	75/7½	75/7½

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£58	58
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	52	52
4½% Anglo-French Loan	50	50
5% Crisp Loan 1912	29	29
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	39	39
8% Stg. Notes, 1926	11	11
5% Honan Rly., 1905	15	15
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	19	19
5% " " (Ger. Is.)	17	17
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	13	13
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	21	21
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	13	13
5% " " G.	13	13
5% " " (Supl. Loan) B.	13	13
5% " " (Supl. Loan) G.	13	13
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	15	15
S'hai Elec. Construction	15/-	15/-
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	29½	29½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9 3/16	9¼
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	93½	94
" " (Col. Reg.)	93½	94
Mercantile Bank of India	12½	12⅜
Chinese Eng. & Min.	19/-	18/9
Chosen Corp.	6/6	6/6
Pekin Syndicate	2/-	2/-
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	18/6	18/9

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Apr. 16.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing		p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.17	S	.17	S
Antamok	.125	S	.125	S
Baguio Gold	.20	S	.20	S
Batong Buhay	.010		.010	
Benguet Consolidated	5.25	*	—	
Big Wedge	.175		.18	
Coco Grove	.0875		.0875	
Consolidated Mines	.0025		.003	S
Demonstration	.095	S	.095	S
East Mindanao	.09		.095	
I. X. L.	.315		.32	
Ipo Gold	.095		.095	
Itogon	.21		.215	
Masbate Consolidated	.09		.09	S
Mine Operations	.085		.09	S
North Camarines	.047		.048	
Paracale Gumaus	.17	S	.17	S
San Mauricio	.64	S	.64	S
Surigao Consolidated	.18		.18	
Suyoc	.125	S	.125	S
Syndicate Investment	.018		.018	
United Paracale ....N	.23	S	.23	S
Mindanao Motherlode	Unq		.09	

*—Over counter. S—Sales.

Turnover for the Morning: 23,800 Pesos.

Shares Index: (Morning Session) 64.90.—Reuter.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Apr. 15.

The Bourse opened irregular today amid light trading. During the session, a listless tone prevailed and prices continued to drift.

Closing rates were irregular, although Suez was weak.—Havas.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 15.

Stock prices on Wall Street today ruled active and bright, with quotations finishing with moves of fractions either way. Aviations and "war babies" were again prominent on the extension of hostilities in Europe, while paper issues were in favour due to the shutting-off of Scandinavian supplies. Though the remainder of the list, on balance, was higher, persistent profit taking kept prices down.

Favourable business news and the continuance of good earning and dividend reports were largely ignored.

The turnover today amounted to 1,260,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	150.67	149.20	149.72	+0.06
20 Rails	31.20	30.90	30.98	—0.08
15 Utilit.	25.30	25.07	25.13	—0.11
40 Bonds	—	—	89.29	+0.06
11 Commod.	—	—	60.65	+0.37

Apr.	13	15	Apr.	13	15
Adams Exp	7½	7½	Kennecott	37¾	37½
Alg Lud	23⅞	23⅝	Lak F & M	*4	*4¼
Alld Stores	8⅛	8¼	Libbey O F	50½	50¼
Allis Chal	35¼	35¼	Lockheed	40	41⅜
Alum Ld	103	103	Loew's	34⅞	34¼
Amer Can	116	115¼	Loft Inc.	37¼	38¼
Am Cyan B	39⅝	39¼	Mack Trks	26¾	26¼
Am For Pr	*1⅛	*1⅛	Martin	46¼	46⅝
,, $7 pfd	26¼	26	McK & R	*28¼	28¼
Am G & E	38⅜	36½	Monsanto	114⅛	114⅛
Am Loco	19	19¼	Mont Ward	52½	51⅜
Am Metal	23	23	Nat Avian	15½	16
Am Radtr	8⅛	8⅜	Nat Dairy	17⅞	18¼
Am R Mill	15¼	16⅛	Nat Dist	25¾	25⅝
Am Smltg	53¼	53	Nat Gyp	10⅝	10⅝
Am Sug R	*20⅜	21¼	Nat Lead	21¾	21⅜
Am T & T	173¼	172¼	Nat P & L	8¼	8¼
Am Tob B	91¼	91½	Nat Steel	66⅝	67
Am Wtwrks	10¼	10⅛	Nat Supply	*8¼	8⅜
Anaconda	30¼	30⅜	N Y Cent	16¼	16⅝
Atchison	22¼	22⅝	Niag Hud	5¼	5⅝
Auburn	1⅛	*1¼	N A Avian	25	25¼
Avian Cpn	8	8⅛	N Am Co	22¼	21⅞
Bald Loco	15⅜	15⅝	N Pacific	8⅜	8⅜
Balt & Ohio	5¼	5¼	O I Glass	63	63
Barber	*14¼	15¼	Pac G & E	*34¼	34⅝
Barn Oil	*11¼	11⅜	Pac Light	47	47¼
Bend Avian	35¼	35½	Packard	3⅜	3⅜
Beth Steel	17	18	Pan Am Air	23⅜	23¼
Bliss	17	18	Paramount	7⅝	7⅝
Boeing	27⅛	27⅛	Penn R R	22⅛	22⅜
Borg War	23¼	23⅝	Phelps D	38½	38⅛
Brid Brass	11¼	12⅛	P & R Coal	*0⅜	0⅜
Briggs	23⅜	23⅝	Phil Pet	38⅜	38¼
Bkn M Tr	23¼	23¼	Pitts C & I	*8¼	8¾
,, $6 pfd	*100	*100	P S of N J	42¾	42⅝
Budd Mfg	*5⅛	*5¼	Pullman	26	26½
Can Pacific	5½	5⅝	Pure Oil	10½	10⅝
Case JI	*68	*68⅜	Radio	6⅝	6⅝
Celanese	32⅝	33⅛	Reading	15	*15
Chase N B	*34¼	*34¼	,, 1st pfd	*26	*26
Chesapeake	39⅛	39¼	Rem Arms	*4½	*4½
Chrysler	88	87	Rep Avian	6½	6¾
Clim Mlyb	39⅝	39	Rep Steel	21¾	21¾
Colt's	*78½	*80	Rev C & B	14	13⅞
Col G & E	7	6⅞	Rey Tob B	43	43
,, $6 A pfd	91¾	91½	Rich Oil	7½	7½
Com Credit	46¼	46⅝	Safe Stores	51	50½
Com & Sth	1¼	1¼	Schenley	13¾	13⅝
Cons Edis	31½	32	Sears Roeb	86¼	87⅜
Cons Oil	7⅝	7½	Shell U Oil	12⅛	12
Cont Can	48¼	49¼	Soc Vac	11⅜	11½
Cont Oil	23	23	Sthrn Pac	12⅛	13
Copld St	21⅝	22⅝	Sthrn Rly	28	28
Corn Prod	*60	60	Sperry	44½	45
Curtiss Wr	10⅜	10½	Spicer Mfg	35½	36
,, A	28⅛	29	Std Brands	7⅝	7½
Deere & Co	22⅜	22¼	Std G & E	*1¼	1¼
Dist Cpn S	18⅝	18⅛	Std O of C	23¼	23¼
Douglas	89¼	93½	Std Oil N J	42¼	41⅞
Du Pont	188	188	Stone & W	9⅛	9⅛
E P Lead	11⅞	11⅞	Studebaker	11⅞	11
Eaton Mfg	35¼	36	Swift Int	29⅞	29½
Elec A Lite	40¼	40½	Technicor	15½	15¼
Elec B & S	6⅞	6⅜	Tex Cpn	47	47⅜
$5 pfd	*60½	61½	Tex Gulf	*34⅜	35
,, $6 pfd	68½	68¾	Timken	24⅛	25½
Elec P & L	33	31¼	Transamer	5⅛	6
Fisk Rub	*15	*15½	Tw Cent F	10⅝	10½
Flintkote	20	20¼	,, pfd	22¾	*22¾
Gen Am Tr	53⅜	54¼	Un Carbide	*81⅛	82¾
Gen Elec	38⅜	38	Un Pacific	97⅝	97¼
Gen Motor	54¾	54⅝	Un Aircraft	50⅛	51⅜
Gen Rly	18	18	Un A Lines	22⅛	23½
Gen T & R	*19¼	19¼	Un B & P	16⅛	17¼
Glidden	17¾	18¼	Un Corp	2¼	2⅜
Goodrich	18¼	18¾	,, $3 pfd	38¾	39
,, $5 pfd	68	67½	Un Gas	1⅛	1½
Goodyear	22¼	22¼	Un Gas Imp	12⅛	12⅝
Gt N I Ore	15¼	15⅛	U S Ind Al	24	23¾
Gt N Rly	25⅝	26⅜	U S Rub	35⅜	35⅝
Gt W Sug	27	27½	,, 8% pfd	117	115¾
Greyhound	16	15¼	U S Steel	61¾	62
Hercules	96¾	98	Vanadium	36	37½
Homestake	54½	55	Vultee Air	10½	10⅝
Int Harv	57¼	56	Walworth	5¼	5⅝
Int Nickel	32¼	32¾	War Br Pic	3½	3½
Int P & P	16½	17⅝	West Elec	113¾	113¼
Int T & T	3⅞	3⅞	Woodward	*27	27½
Johns Man	71¼	72	Nat City B	*28⅜	*29
Jones & L	*66	*64			

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	66	66½
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	27¼	27¼
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	19½	19½
" " 6½% 1957	16⅛	16
Cities Serv. & Lt.	86⅛	86½
Erie 6s 1967	16½	16¾
Int. Tel. & Tel.	41¾	39¼
New England Gas & Elec.	*68⅛	68¼
Republic of Colombia	*31	30¾
" " " (1928) 6s '61	30¾	30½
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	46¼	46
Stand. Gas & Elec.	70¾	70½

*—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices ruled higher and active today, as Wall Street interpreted European news as indicating a prolonged war in Scandinavia and readjusted market operations in favour of war stocks. Paper issues have recently been added to the war group, as a result of the bottling up of Scandinavian sulphite pulp and also newsprint supplies.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 15.

Dull conditions prevailed in the commodity markets, with values moving down slightly compared with Friday's close.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 10⅞ —⅛; sellers 11 —⅛. May del. buyers 10 15/16 —⅛; sellers 11 1/16 —⅛.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: May 7.95 —5; July 8.00 —3; Sept. 7.88 —1; Oct. 7.84 +1. Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 Contract: May 10.34 unc; July 10.49 unc.; Sept. 10.51 unc; Oct. 10.63 +2.

METALS

London Metals: Tin, Stan. Cash sellers £250½ unc; 3 mths del. sellers £246½ —1½; Tin, Straits, £270½ to £275½, no change. Antimony, China Regulus, c.i.f. per ton £72 to £77, nominal, no change.

New York Metals: Antimony, Chinese, in car load lots (25 tons) f.o.b. New York, duty paid, 16½ cents per lb., unch; Tin, Straits, c.i.f., New York (25 tons lots) 47½ cents per lb., unchanged; Copper, Electrolytic, first hand, 11½ cents per lb., unchanged.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Saigon rice per shih (176 lb.)	$45.20
Cotton yn. 20's, D.H., p.b. Cash	$1,455
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	223
Wheat .... per picul (50 kilos)	$21.00
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	13.50
Flour, export . per bag (49lb.)	14.50
	picul
Raw silk, Steamfil, Ex. B 13/15	$5,200
" " 20/22	4,700
" " 20/22 78%	4,800
	nom.

Swedish Stock Exchange Dull

Stockholm, Apr. 16.

The Stockholm Stock Exchange continued very dull and undecided yesterday in view of the extension of the European war to the Scandinavian Peninsula.

There was little activity on the market yesterday with only a small turnover. Quotations were slightly lower.—United Press.

U. S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Apr. 15.

The cotton market early ruled narrow and irregular, with lower cables, liquidation and profit taking being partially offset by trade and outside buying. Later, prices further eased on commission houses selling. Finally, the market moderately rallied on covering by shorts and local buying and finished quiet, with quotations ranging from 1 to 4 points up.

Prices in the rubber market today opened firm on overnight buying orders and a good demand for physicals. Later, the market further hardened on a broadening of speculative demand and shorts covering. At the close, gains of 9 to 17 points were recorded.

Wheat futures in Chicago today advanced on speculative and mills buying, shorts covering and unfavourable crop reports of Spring wheat. At the final bell, gains of ¾ to 1 cent. were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	10.72-73 +02		
July	10.44-44 +01		
July (N.C.)	10.61 N +02	May	18.82-82 +17
Oct. (N.C.)	10.07-07 +03	July	18.24 B +17
		Sept.	18.00-02 +15 B/A
Dec. (N.C.)	9.95 N +04	Dec	17.75-80 +09 B/A
Jan. (N.C.)	9.90 N 03		
Mar. (N.C.)	9.80 N +03		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
May	1.95-96 +1 B/A	May	1.50½-51 unc. B/A
Sept.	2.04-05 +1 B/A	Sept.	1.49-49½ +1 B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	108¾-108⅝ +¾		
July	107¾-107⅝ +⅞	May	60¼-60⅜ +⅞
Sept.	107¾-107⅝ +1	Sept.	62⅞-63 +1

Winnipeg Wheat		N. Y. Silk No. 1	
May	70¾ B —¼	July	2.43-43½ —08

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

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ss. HOTEN MARU	Apr. 29	Apr. 30 at 11 a.m.
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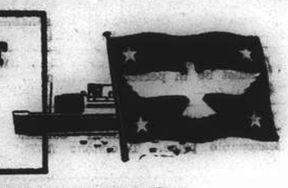

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VESSELS ARRIVING TO-DAY

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From NEW YORK: Dona Aniceta, with mail, due early morning at Holt's Wharf, Pootung side. Passengers expected at the Customs Jetty about 8 a.m.

From PACIFIC PORTS: President Harrison, with mail, due 7.30 a.m., Buoys 12-13. Passengers expected at the Customs Jetty about 9 a.m. She will continue her Round-the-World voyage to New York to-morrow. The last tender leaves Customs Jetty at 3 p.m.

From KEELUNG: Tyosa Maru, with mail, due 10 a.m., O. S. K. Wharf.

DUE AT FUTURE DATES

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GENOA			**From SOURABAYA**		
India	29/2	6/5	Tjibadak	5/4	22/4
From TRIESTE			Tjitjalengka	12/4	29/4
Volpi	27/2	25/4	**From BATAVIA**		
Carignano	25/2	26/4	Tjitjalengka	16/4	29/4
Cortellazzo	20/3	9/5	**From MANILA**		
Conte Rosso	12/4	9/5	Tjibadak	14/4	22/4
From BRINDISI			**From HONGKONG**		
Conte Rosso	13/4	9/5	See "China Ports" below		
From COLOMBO					
Volpi	2/4	25/4			
Carignano	3/4	26/4			

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK			**From HONOLULU**		
Memphis City	—	20/4	Pres. Coolidge	10/4	23/4
Titania	14/3	21/4	**From YOKOHAMA**		
Sagoland	—	30/4	Tatuta Maru	11/4	21/4
From LOS ANGELES			**From KOBE**		
Tatuta M.	25/3	21/4	Kashima Maru	19/4	21/4
Pres. Coolidge	1/4	23/4	Taiyo Maru	3/5	5/5
From SEATTLE			**From NAGASAKI**		
West Cuseta	18/3	20/4	Nagasaki M.	17/4	18/4
Crown City	30/3	28/4	**From KEELUNG**		
Collingsworth	16/4	5/5	Hukuken M.	22/4	24/4

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			**From SINGAPORE**		
Tegelberg	13/3	20/4	Tegelberg	13/4	20/4
Ruys	17/4	25/5			

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN		
Dairen Maru	16/4	18/4

VESSELS DISCHARGING

LYDER SAGEN. The m.s. Lyder Sagen, from Japan via Ports is now discharging her cargo at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Hunt's Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns is to be borne by Consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within fifteen (15) days after vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Hunt's Wharf on April 19, 1940, at 9 a.m., when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will be in attendance. Wallem & Co., Agents, 93 Canton Road. Tel. 19228. 18-4

VESSELS LEAVING

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TJIBADAK Apr. 25. AMOY, HONGKONG, MUNTOK and JAVA PORTS.—The J.C.J.L. s.s. Tjibadak sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Thursday, April 25, taking cargo to Hongkong, Muntok and Java Ports. Excellent passenger accommodation. Through tickets issued to European and Australian Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 24-4

AMERICA

TITANIA Apr. 22. For LOS ANGELES and NEW YORK via PANAMA CANAL.—Barber-Wilhelmsen Line m.v. Titania sails from Shanghai on April 22, accepting cargo for all Overland Points. Dodwell & Co., Ltd:—Agents, 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 22-4

KINAI M., May 3. FOR LOS ANGELES, CRISTOBAL, PANAMA, CANAL, NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA and BALTIMORE. —O. S. K. Line. Tel. 15324. 3-5

AFRICA AND SOUTH AMERICA

KANTO M. Apr. 23. COLOMBO, MOMBASA ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM BEIRA, LOURENCO, MARQUES DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH, CAPE TOWN and BUENOS AIRES.—O. S. K. Line. Tel. 15324. 23-4

SOUTH AND EAST AFRICA

TEGELBERG Apr. 22. MAURITIUS, REUNION, TAMATAVE, LOURENCO MARQUES, DURBAN, CAPETOWN, MOSSEL BAY, PORT ELIZABETH, EAST LONDON, ZANZIBAR and MOMBASA via HONGKONG, MANILA, SAIGON, BANGKOK (Koh-Si-Chang) SINGAPORE and BATAVIA.—The K.P.M. Line ms. Tegelberg sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Monday, April 22. Cargo accepted for all ports in South, East and West Africa, also East Coast of South America. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V. Agents, K.P.M. Line, Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 22-4

VESSELS DISCHARGING

SONTAY. From the Continent and ports arrived on April 16, 1940, now discharging at Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for exchange of Delivery Orders and take immediate delivery of their goods. Consignees of Bulk and Iron cargo are further requested to send their representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed. All risks of fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by consignees. Claims against this steamer must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival or they will not be recognized. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Saturday, April 20, 1940, at 9 a.m. at the Wharf by Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy. No Insurance effected. Cie. des Messageries Maritimes. 18-4

DEUCALION. From Liverpool arrived on Apr. 16, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Monday, April 22, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 19-4

VESSELS SAILING

The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LONDON		**For NEW YORK**	
Delagoa Maru	20/4	Dona Aniceta	19/4
Durban Maru	1/5	Titania	26/4
		Kinai Maru	3/5
For LIVERPOOL		**For SAN FRANCISCO**	
Hakone Maru	22/5	Tatuta Maru	29/4
For TRIESTE		**For SEATTLE**	
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Carignano	27/4	Crown City	29/4
Cortellazzo	10/5	Collingsworth	11/5
Conte Rosso	12/5	**For BUENOS AIRES**	
		Yasukuni Maru	20/4
For BOMBAY		Kanto Maru	26/4
Anyo Maru	25/4	**For KOBE**	
Matue Maru	5/5	Hakone Maru	23/4
		Kasima Maru	25/4
For CAPETOWN		Taiyo Maru	8/5
Tegelberg	22/4	**For NAGASAKI**	
Ruys	27/5	Shanghai Maru	17/4
		Nagasaki Maru	19/4
For JAVA			
Tjibadak	25/4	**For DAIREN**	
Tjitjalengka	2/5	Dairen Maru	19/4
		Hoten Maru	23/4
For HONGKONG		Dairen Maru	26/4
Tatuta Maru	22/4	Hoten Maru	30/4
		Dairen Maru	3/5
For MANILA		Hoten Maru	7/5
Pres. Harrison	18/4		
Pres. Coolidge	28/4	**For KEELUNG**	
Nitta Maru	1/5	Hukuken Maru	26/4

PASSENGER LISTS

ARRIVALS

Per ss. **President Cleveland**, Apr. 13, from **Manila:** Mrs. E. Andersen, Master B. Andersen, Master H. Andersen, Mrs. E. Davis, Miss B. Davis, Mrs. J. de La Vina, Mrs. K. Ennenberg, Capt. C. Fisher, Mr. B. Gosano, Mrs. B. Gosano, Miss J. Grace, Mrs. B. Grace, Mr. F. D'Hardiviliers, Mrs. H. Harrison, Master J. Harrison, Master R. Harrison, Mrs. T. Hart, Miss I. Hart, Miss C. Hart, Mrs. H. Hart, Lt. H. Jarrell, USN, Mrs. H. Jarrell, Mrs. R. Keithly, Mrs. L. Kerwin, Mr. C. King, Mr. H. King, Mrs. G. Knoll, Rev. Fa. R. Knopke, Mr. L. Lessner, Lt. H. Lind, Dr. L. Lissner, Rev. H. Little, Mrs. J. Loomis, Mr. S. Matsumoto, Mr. R. O'Boiger, Mrs. E. Palmer, Mrs. J. Peterson, Master J. Peterson, Master G. Perterson, Mr. N. Rosenhirsch, Mr. G. Rosling, Mrs. M. Siran, Miss M. Siran, Lt. A. Smith, Dr. C. Stubbs, Lt. G. Wilkins, Major G. Williams, Miss L. Wyckoff, Mr. A. Zapovetsky.

DEPARTURES

Per ss. **President Cleveland**, Apr. 14, for **Kobe:** Mr. J. L. Sparke, Mr. David G. Taft, Mrs. M. C. Balfour, Mrs. J. L. Sparke, Dr. M. C. Balfour Mr. F. P. Fieth, Mr. K. Takekawa, for **Honolulu:** Mrs. Ruth M. Bishop, Mr. & Mrs. C. B. Willey, for **San Francisco:** Mr. H. N. Johnson, Mr. L. G. Keating, Mr. A. L. Baker, Mr. & Mrs. W. Bell, Dr. J. Lee H. Peterson, Miss Harriet Stroh, Miss Ruth Prentice, Miss Olive Gruen, Mr. C. M. Papaz, Mr. S. Barwick, Mr. C. T. Jackson, Mr. & Mrs. W. B. Newsome, Miss G. Newsome, Miss G. I. Selzer, Dr. M. C. Richie, Miss P. M. Heenan, Master T. R. Barwick, Mrs. E. Heenan, Mrs. B. Barwick, Master R. M. Heenan, Mr. R. W. Wachter, Mr. J. Yates, for **Los Angeles:** Mr. D. G. Folts, Mrs. D. G. Folts, Master Fred. Folts, Jr, Master Franklin F. Folts, Miss Roxy Lefforge, Mrs. Julia Baker, Rev. J. C. Heinrich, Mrs. J. C. Heinrich, Mrs. Alice E. Brown, Mr. & Mrs. C. M. Powell, Master John Powell, Miss Denise Powell, Mr. K. S. Dayan, Mrs. M. S. Dayan, Miss Selma Dayan, Miss Adela Dayan, Mr. J. L. Engels.

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Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	*From*	*Consignees*
Sontay	Haiphong	M.M.
Keian M.	Tsingtao	N.Y.K.
Nitto M.	Keelung	T.K.K.
Pelikan	Wenchow	Reuter B.
Heini	Sungmen	G.F.E.
Huashan M.	Amoy	T.K.K.
Hungyun	T'lungkong	C.F.P.K.
Lipari	T'lungkong	C.F.P.K.
Bonho	Hsinkong	Dong Shing
Tawha	T'lungkong	Quen Kee
Shanghai M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Van An	Hsinkong	Dong Shing
Chekiang M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Kiangnan	T'lungkong	C.F.P.K.
Whatung	T'senkong	Quen Kee
Hsingtung M.	River Ports	T.K.K.
London M.	Bombay	O.S.K.
Talien	Tsungming	Wan Woo
Jean Laborde	Kobe	M.M.
Taiko M. 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Kozui M.	U. S. A.	Hara Co.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	*Flag*	*Despatcher*
Meinan	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Agnes	Nor.	O. Thoresen
Koa M. 1	Jap.	Showa S.
Romolo	Ital.	V. Chieri
Chingning M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Tsingtao M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Remo	Ital.	V. Chieri
Daikokusan M.	Jap.	Showa S.
Hanna	Ger.	Carlowitz

Men-of-War in Port

Name	*Flag*	*Type*	*Berthed*
Canopus	Am.	Sub.	31-32 B.
Nos. 143, 145 and 142	Am.	Sub.	30-30a B.
Nos. 144, 146 and 141	Am.	Sub.	31-32 B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	16 P'toon
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Meteorological Reports	Apr. 15 16.00	Apr. 15 21.00	Apr. 16 4.00	Apr. 16 9.00
Barometer inches	30.08	30.10	30.11	30.14
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.13	—0.15	—0.09	—0.08
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.12	—0.12	+0.03	+0.04
Wind (direction)	SSW	SE	SE	SSW
" (miles per hour)	14.9	9.3	7.4	9.3
Temperature (Fahr.)	63.°9	49.°6	49.°3	61.°2
Humidity %	35	75	95	84
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	0	0	0	1
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report April 15	Mean 1940	24 hrs. variation	67 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.15	—0.11	30.00
Temp. Min. 43.°5 Max. 68.°5	56.°0	+2.°9	55.°9
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	10.81	—	9.44

Time and Tide	17/4	18/4	19/4	20/4	21/4	22/4	23/4
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.24	5.23	5.22	5.21	5.19	5.18	5.17
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.24	18.25	18.25	18.26	18.26	18.27	18.27
Moon rises at Shanghai	13.05	14.09	15.16	16.23	17.31	18.39	19.44
Moon sets at Shanghai	1.37	2.20	3.03	3.45	4.28	5.13	6.00
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	5.40	7.25	8.40	9.35	10.23	11.00	11.32
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	11.10	12.02	13.10	14.08	15.00	15.45	16.24
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	7.44	9.18	10.00	10.47	11.38	12.15	12.41
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	7.30	7.73	9.19	8.90	9.30	10.28	10.68

POST OFFICE NOTICES

The following times apply to the Head Post Office, Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

WEDNESDAY, April 17.	Reg.	Ord.
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	*20.00	7.15
Hongkong and Haiphong ..	*20.00	8.00
Tinghai Shenkiamen via Tinghai	11.00	11.30
Ninghsien etc. via Chinhai	11.30	12.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez and Europe via Suez	10.30	12.30
Hongkong and Canton	12.00	12.30
Amoy Swatow and Canton x	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
THURSDAY, April 18.		
Hongkong	*20.00	7.15
Aust. N.Z. Manila Straits Ceylon and India ..... B	11.30	12.30
Hongkong and Canton	12.00	12.30
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
FRIDAY, April 19.		
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	*20.00	7.30
Tsingtao and Dairen	8.30	9.00
Hongkong x	9.30	10.00
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. Suez and Europe via Suez cx	14.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton x	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00

* The night before.
B Parcel mail for Straits, F.M.S., Ceylon, India, Egypt, E-Soudan, Italy and other countries, closes at 16.00 on 17th.
C Parcel mail for France, Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 19th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Z Parcel mail only.
Next parcel mail for U.S.A., closes on April 20, 1940.

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—
Yesterday Min. 49.0 Max. 71.0
Same date, 1939 Min. 52.0 Max. 60.0
Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—
Yesterday Min. 46.2 Max. 74.1
Same date, 1939 Min. 53.6 Max. 62.4

State on the morning of the 15th:—High and steady pressure over China: rather normal and unsteady over Japan. South-easterly to south-westerly winds along the China Coast. Fine and cloudy weather to the north of the saddles. Rainy in the south.

State on the morning of the 16th:—Fine weather. Southerly breezes. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine weather and variable winds around Shantung. Fine to cloudy with fog in places and south-easterly to south-westerly winds over our region: South-easterly over the Eastern Sea. Rainy around Formosa.—Siccawei Observatory.

Post Office Notices Continued

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Suez, on April 17.
Per steamer via Suez on April 19.
Per steamer via Pacific, on April 20.

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British Blockade to Cover Far East

Vladivostok Seen as Gap In Economic Ring Round Reich; Moscow Enigmatic

London, Apr. 16.

The possibility of more rigid control of shipments of strategic materials to Germany by way of Vladivostok, and the threat of the extension of the European naval war to Pacific waters, was seen as inevitable by informed sources here yesterday.

Information that Russia had granted Germany the right to transport 1,000 tons of commodities daily over the Trans-Siberian Railway, coupled with further reports of increased United States exports of strategic raw materials to Vladivostok, appeared to make the tightening of the British naval control of Vladivostok inevitable, informed sources said. British warships will simultaneously maintain a sharp lookout for rubber and tin reaching Vladivostok from the Netherlands East Indies, it was said.

Definite Leakage Proved

British authorities are now convinced that Vladivostok represents a major leak in the blockade against Germany.

Figures available here indicated that Russia's total imports of copper in 1938 were between 60,000 and 80,000 tons, of which only 50,000 tons came from the United States. But, from September, 1939, to the end of March, 1940, Russia imported 70,000 tons of copper from the United States alone, according to the figures.

Corresponding figures on rubber exports to Russia were given as 45,000 tons, of which none came from the United States, whereas, during the first seven months of the European war, Russia imported 25,000 to 30,000 tons, of which the United States supplied 6,000.—United Press.

Russia in "Splendid Isolation"

London, Apr. 15.

Latest activities of the Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Maisky, show that the Kremlin is pursuing a policy of "splendid isolation," British political quarters asserted today. Moscow obviously wishes to avoid the establishment of too close relations with Berlin although the Kremlin's subtle diplomacy throws only a dim light on the intentions of the Soviet rulers.

M. Maisky's repeated calls on the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, when they discussed the fate of the Soviet ships Selenga and Maiakovsky, which were seized in Hongkong waters while transporting contraband, also gave the envoy an opportunity to sound out the ground as regards resumption of trade talks. Although no definite indications have been given of Soviet "pacific" intentions, the general trend of Soviet policy of late was seen here to demonstrate Moscow's desire to re-establish itself as a defender of law and order.

Scrupulous Observances

Russia's scrupulous execution of her peace treaty with the Finns and her evacuation of Petsamo strictly within the time set, were seen as confirmation of this new policy.

British quarters noted recent semi-official Soviet contacts at Washington requested that the United States should send American engineers to Russia. This tends to prove that Moscow does not wish to become too dependent on Germany. German technical assistance could have been obtained much more easily and considerably cheaper, it was pointed out.

Britain, for her part, does not wish further to aggravate relations with Soviet Russia, as Lord Halifax, said in a recent speech, but at the same time she must have guarantees that Russia will not seek to secure "further strategic advantages," that Russia will not provide the Reich with stocks of raw goods or increase her exports to the Reich.—Havas.

Matrimonial Affairs Of "N.C.D.N." Staff

Cashier Marries; Another Becomes Engaged

Mr. Lu Chi-min, a cashier employed by the "North-China Daily News, was married on Monday at a well-attended Chinese ceremony held in the Pootung Residents Guild Building in Avenue Edward VII where several hundred guests were invited to dinner last night. Mr. Lu was married to Miss Chu Chia-teh, pretty school girl.

Mr. Chen Chi-fang, also an employee of this journal held an engagement dinner party at the Sun Sun Company the same night. The affair was attended by several hundred foreign and Chinese guests and relatives of both parties to the contract.

He became engaged to Miss Pan Pei-yu, the first daughter of a well-established metal shop manager, who has been receiving an education in Shanghai. The engagement certificates were duly signed by all parties concerned including the "introducers" and a witness. Mr. Chen is the son of Mr. Chen Teh-chi of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Co. in Hongkong. They plan to marry probably at the end of the year.

Twenty Villagers Said Bayonetted in Raid

Injured Man States Eight Die After Japanese Attack

Twenty residents of the village of Wu Muh Jao, near Hungjao Aerodrome, eight of whom died later, are alleged to have been bayonetted by Japanese soldiers on Monday, according to a native of this village, who was admitted to St. Luke's Hospital last night suffering from multiple bayonet wounds on the back and neck.

The village was raided by a Japanese military party, the villager stated, and twenty men were dragged from their homes to be questioned about guerilla activities. All these men were bayonetted by the Japanese soldiers after questioning, he alleged.

According to the wounded villager he reached Shanghai by travelling along a circuitous route which kept him out of sight of Japanese military patrols. Several of the twelve persons suffering from wounds are said to be in a serious condition.

Positions Vacant

Do not enclose original testimonials when replying to advertisements. Copies answer the same purpose.

EXPERIENCED Chinese tailor, must be first-class cutter for foreign-style suits. 343/43 Ward Road. -6451

WANTED by foreign firm, intelligent office girl, foreign or Chinese, beginner accepted. Apply in person. 153 Nanking Road, Room 400. -6458

WANTED young steno-typist, male, having some notions accountancy; small salary to start with, but prospects of increasing pay. Apply in person Wednesday, April 17, between 2-3.30 p.m. 255 Hamilton House. No refugees. -6476

SALESMEN, foreign and Chinese, well introduced with bars, restaurants, provision stores, clubs, hotels, wanted for the sale of mineral water, lemon-juice, etc. State full particulars, Box 3444, NCDN. -6492

BRITISH firm requires lady stenographer, preferably with ability to speak local dialect. Give details of experience and salary required, to Box 3445, NCDN. 12066

POSITION open for Chinese girl typist. Fast and good knowledge of English essential. Box 3448, NCDN. 12068

CHINESE girl steno-typist wanted for general correspondence. Good knowledge of English essential. No objection to beginners with good training. Apply stating education and salary expected to Box 3412, NCDN. -6427

WANTED stenotypist with perfect knowledge of English and German and long experience in commercial correspondence. Box 3380, NCDN. -6355

REQUIRED immediately experienced accountant for local office. Must be British. Address Box 3303, NCDN. 11984

WANTED by foreign import and export firm Chinese compradore, speaking English or salesman for wholesale imported piece goods, etc. First-class reference needed. Apply 346 Szechuen Road, Room 12, Telephone 19240. -6049

Positions Wanted

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YOUNG Russian, British school graduate with some business college training in Shanghai, seeks position. Has also a diploma as chauffeur mechanic. Familiar with engine parts, Diesel motors, tractors. Box 3424, NCDN. -6446

YOUNG foreigner, good knowledge restaurant management, seeks position in restaurant. Can look after restaurant kitchen, experience supplying stores and provisions, well-acquainted local markets. Outport no objection. Box 3409, NCDN. -6421

EXPERIENCED lady translator (from Chinese into English) seeks position. Address Box 3407, NCDN. -6419

RELIABLE, trustworthy Scotsman (exempt from Military service), desires employment. Willing tackle anything, anywhere. Box 1542, NCDN. -6426

ACCOUNTANT, British (33), first-class experience, excellent organizer, holding position of trust, desires change. Address Box 3392, NCDN. -6380

BRITON, experienced salesman, general office routine, purchasing agent, etc., seeks immediate employment. Outport no objection. Moderate salary. Box 3395, NCDN. -6390

EXPERIENCED export compradore, seeks position, good connection with all factories and dealers, has had 10 years experience in export lines including sundries, embroideries, lace, underware, straw, cotton ware, novelty and general market. Box 3343, NCDN. -6291

EXPERT stenographer open for immediate engagement. Have first-class experience in engineering terms dictation. Address Box 3246, NCDN. 11956

DOCTOR, young Chinese, with excellent knowledge of English and French, seeks position in medical firm or hospital. Available July 1. Box 2816, NCDN. -5303

Business Opportunities

LADY confectioner requires business partner and premises in French Concession. Box 3417, NCDN. -6433

EXPORTER with best connections, wants to co-operate with Chinese export firm. Address Box 3434, NCDN. -6464

FOR SALE: Store and restaurant, central district. Splendid business. US$1,300. Apply Box 3447, NCDN. -6493

ROTTERDAM exporters looking for active Shanghai importers of Dutch and Belgian foodstuffs (cheese, milk, canned goods, essences) and general merchandise. Write Box 3439, NCDN. -6472

RESTAURANT-BAR, fully equipped, in French Concession, for sale at $8,000. March gross returns $5,600. Box 3411, NCDN. -6424

EXPORTERS would like to make contacts with local manufacturers of gentlemen's shirts, for American market. Reply to Post Office Box 526. -6410

A FULLY-equipped printing and lithographing establishment with a long list of first-class customers, for sale. Owners intend retiring. Address Box 3404, NCDN. 12041

FOR SALE, in Hongkong, Pitman's Shorthand School under British supervision. Growing concern. Minimum monthly takings Hk. $500. Owner leaving Colony and wants Hk. $2,000. Cash for business. Box 3306, NCDN.

TRADE enquiries, financial status reports, insurance (all classes). Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road, Telephone 10092. 11772

Personal

BRITON, 22, just arrived from British Malaya, wishes to meet young lady about 18-22 years, for companionship. Must be of good family. Box 3396, NCDN. -6391

YOUNG American would like to meet Chinese or Eurasian lady for companionship. Box 3275, NCDN. -6163

Boats

WANTED, urgently, steel lighters, 200-300 tons carrying capacity. State complete particulars including last price. Box 3440, NCDN. -6484

WANTED to hire sailing craft or motor house-boat beginning this month until the end of September, on monthly basis. Address Box 3446, NCDN. 12067

FOR SALE. One Johnson, Sea-horse, outboard motor. Thirty-two horse-power, giant racing model, four cylinders. In excellent condition, price US$60 or best offer. Address Box 3398, NCDN. -6397

For Sale—Miscellaneous

TYPEWRITER for sale, American Oliver typewriter, good machine, US$10. Apply 1566 Avenue Joffre, telephone 75851. -6456

SHOVELS: Hand and Heart brand No. 3 point-mouth shovels with D handle, English make, by Samuel, Osborn & Co., Address Box 3416, NCDN. -6431

PORTABLE typewriter US$35. Reflex Korelle F.1:3.5 in leather case and Sixtus exposure meter US$35. No dealers, please. 74 Amherst Avenue, Telephone 23588. -6428

100 cement posts, 6 in. square, 10½ ft. high, with 14 rows barbed wire. Box 3436, NCDN. -6469

TYPEWRITER, Hermes Baby portable, absolutely brand-new. Cost US$30, now sacrifice US$21. Box 3438, NCDN. -6471

FOR SALE, Mineral Water Bottling Machines with complete equipments, in good condition, at attractive prices. Address Box 3451, NCDN. 12072

WESTINGHOUSE refrigerator 4 sq. feet in good condition US$100. 181 Wuting Road House 10. -6494

DIAMOND ring, 2.86 carat, flawless, US$485 to serious buyer. Telephone 74192, 8-10 a.m., 7-8 p.m. -6482

TWO real Canadian silver foxes, very rare specimens. Telephone 70396. -6422

FOR SALE, Crosley Shelvadore 6¼ cu. ft., thoroughly overhauled. Best offer in U.S.A. Dollars, to Box 3421, NCDN. -6444

CORONA portable typewriter, four rows of keys, A-1 condition, (not rebuilt). $310. Box 3425. -6449

FOR SALE, blackwood table, oak desk, bedstead and mattresses, gramophone, chairs and sofa, etc. Telephone May 77676. 12039

PIANO with three pedals, selling cheap. Apply 304 Rue Cardinal Mercier, ground floor, 9-12, 3-6. -6432

ATTRACTIVE crystalware, porcelain figures, oil paintings, miniatures. 421 Avenue Roi Albert, Apartment 5. -6450

FOR SALE, Rolleiflex 3.8 Tessar, with Compur shutter. $650. No offers. Box 3390, NCDN. -6376

GENIAL drawing, rare picture offered to connoisseurs. For inspection please apply Box 3391, NCDN. No brokers. -6378

TYPEWRITER portable, Underwood, almost new. $400. Telephone 76774. -6388

PERAMBULATOR, English make, good condition. Telephone Turnbull 51958, 12-2 and after 5 p.m. -6363

BEAUTIFUL painting by Prof. Othmar Ruzicka: "Slovakians in the dancing-room." Reasonably priced. 1310 Avenue Joffre, European Arts. -6417

EXQUISITE oil-paintings and engravings by old and modern artists. 12 Rue du Consulat, Apartment 501, Telephone 87801. -6268

FRENCH clocks, miniatures, porcelain figures, antique glass set, beautiful odd fancy dishes, antiquities and rarities. 12 Rue du Consulat, Apartment 501. -6268

VACUUM cleaner, Siemens Protos, for quick sale. 24 Bund, Room 35, telephone 10877. -6306

FOUR European cut mirrors, without frames. 2′2″ x 3′8″. Bargain prices. 1310 Avenue Joffre, European Arts. -6417

BARGAINS: Persian rugs, Goerz field-glass 12x; opera glass, Voigtlaender, silver; Contax III. 1:2 miniatures; small bronzes; paintings and other rarities. General Magazine, 337 Avenue Haig. -6249

CUTLERY, silver and silver plated; dinner-, coffee-, tea- and fruit sets, attractive crystalware, porcelain figures, etc., everything reflecting excellent European craftmanship. Bargain prices. General Magazine, 337 Avenue Haig. -6248

SHIRTS made to measure. Superior "double-thread" broadcloth $15.50, "Tootal" $24. "Clydella" Wool $35. Razon's, Central Road. 11723

NICK'S secondhand furniture shop. We pay best price for furniture carpets, pianos, refrigerators and household effects. Telephone 73937. 146A Route des Soeurs, 3 inside. -5000

SECONDHAND furniture shop. Buy and sell at best prices, furniture, carpets, cut-glass, etc. Feiner, 306 Rue Bourgeat, telephone 73597. -5307

SHIRTS correctly made to measure. English poplins and pure silk from $14.50. Razon's 12 Central Road. 11722

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FIRST-CLASS porcelain, crystal and jewels. Permanent fresh stocks. H. P. Shop. 726 Avenue Joffre. -6199

G.E. refrigerators, 45 cu. ft., working condition guaranteed, for sale. Telephone 74816, Russian Electric Co. -6200

WONDERFUL crystalware, Baccarat, wine-glass set, 60 pieces, Meissen porcelain, miniatures, bronzes. Dr. Weiss, 1823A Avenue Joffre, Apartment 3, telephone 79341. -6151

GROW your own vegetables and flowers. Seeds 30 and 50 cent package. Max Grill. 996 Avenue Joffre, Shanghai telephone 74679. -3444

ANY kind of secondhand furniture, ornaments, refrigerators, fans, carpets, etc. 510 Peking Road, George Young, telephone 96967. -5976

FOR SALE, typewriters, good condition, moderate prices. One Corona portable, Remington 10. Telephone 72580 (Room 4), from 2-3. -6266

CRYSTALWARE, porcelain and sundries. Stock constantly replenished. Shop 726 East Seward Road. -6189

Miscellaneous

SCREEN windows and doors in every size. Superior workmanship, at low rates. "Stabil", Reiss & Benjamin, 37 Brenan Road, House 107. -6297

Beauty Culture, etc.

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LADY gives massage from 2 to 9, 1225 Bubbling Well Road. Room 231, Telephone 34200. -5569

LADY gives general massage, manicure 10-7 p.m. 205 Peking Road, Apartment 30. Second Floor. 11728

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MATHEMATICS lessons to pupils, given by experienced teacher. Box 3415, NCDN. -6430

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FIGUEIREDO'S School. Day/evening Shorthand, typewriting, English. Crystal-clear explanations. 54 Garden Apartments, 1173/11 Bubbling Well. 11783

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SINGING and dramatic lessons given by Edgar Lissner, singing master and stage manager of great international opera houses. Telephone 78897, 1768 Avenue Joffre, Flat 1. -4463

FRENCH lessons. Speedy and excellent results assured. Fully qualified gentleman teacher. Twice weekly pupils'/own home, $25. Box 3324, NCDN. -6136

PARISIAN lady gives French lessons from rudimentary to highest conversational standard. Box 3357, NCDN. -6316

A FACT

worthy of being borne in mind: Every morning, between 8 and 12 noon, these columns are read by tens of thousands, several of whom may be looking for your advertisement.

Motor Cars and Cycles

FORD, 1934, V8, two-door sedan, excellent engine, best tyres, selling for US$345. 7/188 Kinnear Road, before noon or after 4.30 p.m. -6478

AUSTIN (Baby), very good condition, four-seater, open, $1.250, Mannheim, 1170/74 Broadway, Telephone 50231. -6437

1932 American Austin, recently overhauled, excellent condition. Over 30 miles/gallon. US$120. Apply Mr. P. K. Chen, telephone 21316. -6460

CHEVROLET sports two-seater, with dickey, new duco, new body 1937, machine overhauled, for sale, moderate price US$225, with guarantee. Shop, 171 Route Winling. -6466

FOR SALE, Morris Oxford roadster, 10 h.p., in excellent condition, entirely owner-driven. Price $1,800. Address Box 3442, NCDN. 12062

CHEVROLET, 1936, Master de luxe. Excellent condition and appearance, 16 m.p.g., US$500 (or nearest). No brokers. Telephone 72472 office hours. -6413

US$100 or offer, 1930 Austin seven tourer, 35 m.p.g., excellent engine, tyres top. US$115 Ford tourer 1930 mechanically perfect, economic. Telephone Radbil 13834. -6434

FOR SALE, 1932 Morris Oxford sedan, new body, new battery. Engine in good condition. Apply 111 Szechuen Road. -6370

FOR SALE, completely overhauled: Buick 1935 sedan, Indian motor-cycle with side-car, Chevrolet sedan 1933, Opel coach 1932, Opel sedan 1932, Opel coach 1936, Plymouth 1934 sedan, Balilla coach, Morris Minor coach 1933, Ford coach 1929. Pacific Motors, 863 Avenue Foch, telephone 74500. -6402

1933 Morris Ten four-door sedan. Good condition throughout. Very economical, US$260. Apply Mr. Chang, 39 Yates Road, before 6 p.m. -6407

1936 Opel, 6-cylinder, 7-seater sedan. Very economical. Small mileage. Engine, body and tyres in excellent condition. Owner-driven. On view 96 Rue Cardinal Mercier. Offers. 12048

FOR SALE, 1936 Ford V8, 85 h.p. four-door sedan. Excellent condition. US$575. Telephone 15633 or write Box 3231, NCDN. -6080

FOR SALE, 1937 Ford V8, four-door sedan, 60 h.p. First-class condition. Five new tyres. US$675. Telephone 15633 or write Box 3230, NCDN. -6080

WANTED, Baby Fiat coupe 1933/34 model or any small make. Good condition. State price Box 3376, NCDN. 12027

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FORD V8 sedan, 1937, perfect condition, white tyres US$700. No brokers, 347/4 King Albert Apartment, Telephone 75946. -6219

Lost

NOTICE is hereby given that Mr. Van Zah Zung has notified the undersigned that the following Godown Warrant of the Loong Mow Godown, Sinza, has been lost. No. 1695 issued December 5, 1939, 42 bags rice. Part delivery of 11 bags was made and notation recorded on the lost Godown Warrant before the date it was lost. This Godown Warrant hereby declared null and void. Mackenzie & Co., Ltd. -6490

LOST, Interport Duty Receipt No. 240284 for 2,300 pcs. and 1,200 pcs. of bean cakes from Soochow, marked 無錫榮康 in squares and 大 in circle, per N.C.B. No. 2174, 8974. Declared null and void. Higuchi & Co. -6286

LOST, Pass No. AL54000, covering 1 case watches per ss. Haruna Maru, marked 112 in triangle, R.B. Co. around, 2740/7. The public is hereby notified that the above is declared null and void. -6203

LOST, Demand Draft No. 5615 total £55, issued by Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Ltd. on December 12, 1939. This D/D is hereby declared null and void and the public is warned not to negotiate same. China Scientific Instrument Co. Ltd. 11993

Wanted to Purchase

WANTED baby grand piano. Must be excellent condition. Reasonable price. Address Box 3449, NCDN. 12069

WANTED Leica F.3.5 models II or III. Must be in perfect condition. Box 3422, NCDN. -6445

CHILD'S folding perambulator-chair. Foreign make. Good condition. Reasonable price. Telephone 73073. -6371

WANTED, a secondhand National cash register in good condition, moderate price. Box 3406, NCDN. 12052

WANTED, Underwood portable typewriter, late model and first-class condition. Box 3377, NCDN. -6349

REFRIGERATORS out of order, purchased at reasonable price. Telephone 76990. -6224

WANTED to buy, secondhand clothing, suits, dresses, shoes, carpets, etc. 1129 Bubling Well, Sun Avenue, House 51, telephone 33284, Mr. Corts. -6103

WANTED to purchase and for sale. We purchase all kinds of blackwood highclass furniture, carpets, pianos, typewriters, radios, household effects, damaged metals and godown stock at a fair price. We also sell the above-mentioned goods at the lowest prices, (Only a little profit is added on the cost of what we purchased.) Apply to the Chesterfield Art Secondhand Goods Store, 1469 Bubbling Well Road, telephone 36334. 11879

WANTED buy secondhand carpets, trunks, suits, dresses, shoes. Telephone 39965, Mr. Bers, 8-10 a.m., 1, 3, 6-7 p.m. daily. -6165

GOOD prices paid for any kind of old, broken or useless jewellery, such as: Gold and silver rings, pendants, brooches, links, or any other gold or silver ornaments such as: cups, plates, vases, knives, forks, spoons, etc., however small or large. Here is an opportunity to get rid of and convert some of your old and perhaps forgotten articles into actual cash. Call or telephone, Room 46, Capitol Building, 142 Museum Road, telephone 17722, or our representative will call to suit your convenience. -5859

Wanted to Rent

WANTED to rent, large detached house with garden, with or without fixtures, suitable for first-class boarding house. Western district or any part. Address and particulars. Box 3430, NCDN. -6457

WANTED, three or four-roomed, unfurnished apartment or house in International Settlement. Box 3433, NCDN. -6461

WANTED, by responsible party, from May 1, four-roomed house in good residential district. Reply with full particulars to Box 3443. NCDN. -6491

MARRIED couple, without children, now occupying modern four-roomed apartment in French Concession, is looking for equal lodging in Settlement or Hungjao district, prepared to share house or large apartment. Replies to Box 3419, NCDN. -6440

WANTED, one-roomed, unfurnished apartment with kitchen/bath, in the International Settlement. Detailed offers to Box 3397, NCDN. -6395

WANTED apartment from May 1 or 15 by American couple. Willing to take furniture over. Telephone 79023. -6415

WANTED 2/3 roomed flat, furnished or unfurnished with modern conveniences. Telephone 23429. 12042

WANTED, house or apartment, by responsible party. Willing pay key-money and take over furniture. Telephone 78499. -5853

WANTED to rent (eventually to buy) first-class detached or semi-detached, four to six-roomed house, with garden, western district, quiet location. Very large living room with fire-place required. Willing to sign long lease. Detailed offers to Box 2779, NCDN. 11659

Radios

RECORD, the universal receiver, model 1940, with guarantee, $195. Ask for presentation. Local Super, five American tubes, selective, $90. Radio Record, 8 Chusan Road, Telephone 51262. -6481

OPPORTUNITY, 7-tube a.c./d.c., all-wave Weston radio, 1940 model, new condition US$25. Owner leaving. Address Box 3408, NCDN. -6419

BEST in town! Expert service, latest equipment. Reasonable charges. Workmanship guaranteed. Telephone 43383. Chang's Radio Corportion. -6345

OUR bargains to-day: 15-Philco, US$160. 8-Stewart-Warner, $1,105. 7-Gilfillan, $765. 5-portable Unversal $325. Record player table and console type. Universal Radio Co., 232 Nanking Road, telephone 19225. 11720

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ITALIAN doctor requires two rooms for office in Settlement or French. Address Box 3413, NCDN, stating rental. -6425

OFFICE with telephone, near Bund, to let. Reply Box 3420, NCDN. -6443

TO LET, godown 25,000 sq. ft. in modern concrete building on East Broadway. Address Box 3423, NCDN. -6446

SHOP premises wanted, Bubbling Well or Avenue Joffre district for prompt or future lease. Box 3394, NCDN. -6386

BRITISH businessman requires unfurnished office, or would take share. Very quiet tenant. Address Box 3388, NCDN. 12033

WANTED to rent premises fit for exhibitions and auctions. Location Peking Road—Museum Road or nearby. Box 3383, NCDN. -6362

TO LET, shop, centre French Concession, in very large building suitable for ladies' dressmaking salon or manufactory department, with workshop, can be used as storage room. Box 3372, NCDN. -6338

Chinese Servants

CAN recommend excellent baby-amah. Box 3429, NCDN. 12057

HONEST cook-boy, clean, good worker, seeks position immediately. Well-recommended. Apply Box 3427, NCDN. -6453

WANTED. Family chauffeur. Wife could act as wash-amah, if desired. Box 3426, NCDN. -6452

WANTED, first-class cook-boy and coolie. Apply with testimonials to Box 3450, NCDN. 12070

ADVERTISER recommends good baby or children's amah, also amah's daughter as wash-amah. Willing to be employed separately. Open for engagement the first week in May as present employer proceeding on leave. Apply to Box 3410, NCDN. -6423

COOK-BOY, clean and honest, good experience. English/American pastry. Recommended. Telephone 21448. -6393

EXCELLENT cook-boy, native of Peking, clean, honest, seeks position immediately. Well-recommended. Address Box 3379, NCDN. -6354

HIGHLY-recommended young cook-boy or house-boy. Honest, clean and willing to work. Speaks good English. Address Box 3387, NCDN. -6373

72782. General Employment Agency, Reliable cooks, boys, amahs, chauffeurs. Foreign management, Quick service. 1272 Avenue Joffre. -5728

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NO. 1 house-boy, good cook-boy, many years in English and American employ. Highly recommended, telephone 21575. -6353

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PEI-TAI-HO. Two large, one small bedrooms, two bathrooms, living-room, pantry, kitchen, servants' quarters, in attractive furnished bungalow, suitable two families. Season US$250. Box 3381, NCDN. -6358

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STRAND Hotel, Peitaiho Beach, open for reservations. Apply to Mrs. M. Lisske, 10 Canal Road, Tientsin. -4584

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TO LET, two joined rooms, bedroom and sitting room with closed verandah, $150. Good for couple. Part/full board optional. Astor Road (behind Astor House), 3 Astor Terrace. -6467

SMALL room to let for single person. All modern conveniences. 325 Rue Bourgeat. -6473

NICE, furnished room for foreign gentleman. Available immediately. 1285 Avenue Joffre, House 50. -6483

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ROOM with or without board, 303/14 Avenue Petain. Telephone 78700. Bus 22. Washington Apartments. -6441

TO LET, room, opposite Hongkew Park, Bus 8, 9. 1569 North Szechuen Road, Green Terrace. Telephone (02) 3742. -6438

$85. To let well-furnished south room, facing garden, for single foreigner. 372/3 Rue Maresca. -6447

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TO LET for bachelors: one large, sunny room, closed verandah, $155, also one sunny room $110, breakfast included. Board and special diets by request. Astor Road (behind Astor House), 3 Astor Terrace. -6467

THE Towers, 1182 Avenue Road, Comfortable single/double rooms, private bathrooms, garden, excellent food. Telephone 35534. -6479

ACCOMMODATION with full board. Foreign families only. Clean food. Healthy surroundings. Monthly, weekly. 715 Avenue Petain. -6487

VERY comfortable, furnished room, with private bathroom. Full board. 14 Kelmscott Gardens, telephone 72385. -6184

Furnished Apartments

TO LET, modern, two-roomed apartment with all conveniences, first-floor, balcony, in quiet residential district French Concession. Good furniture and fittings to be taken over. Address Box 3414, NCDN. -6429

TWO-ROOMED furnished flat with separate bathroom, kitchen, all modern conveniences, best part French Concession, near tram stop, small garden, to let for small family. Box 3418, NCDN. -6439

BACHELOR, British, occupying alone modern four-roomed apartment, centre of French Concession, will let any portion to bachelor at reasonable rent. All conveniences. Address Box 3432, NCDN. -6460

TO LET, three-roomed apartment, bath, kitchen, boxroom, steamheating. French Concession. One year rent including furniture, US$300 available at once. Agents, General Investment Co., 233 Nanking Road, Room 122. -6485

TO LET, two-roomed, modern, attractively furnished apartment, bathroom, kitchen, verandah. Taxes, hot water, crockery, cutlery, etc. $300. Foreigners only. Tifeng Road near bus 14. Telephone 20666. 12040

TO LET, apartments, flats, houses, rooms, furnished/unfurnished. Shops, offices, godowns available immediately. 1272 Avenue Joffre. -5729

Houses and Land

WANTED land, vacant or with building, for long lease, for factory in industrial section French Concession or International Settlement, south of the creek. Offers to Room 704, 133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. Telephone 12770. 12056

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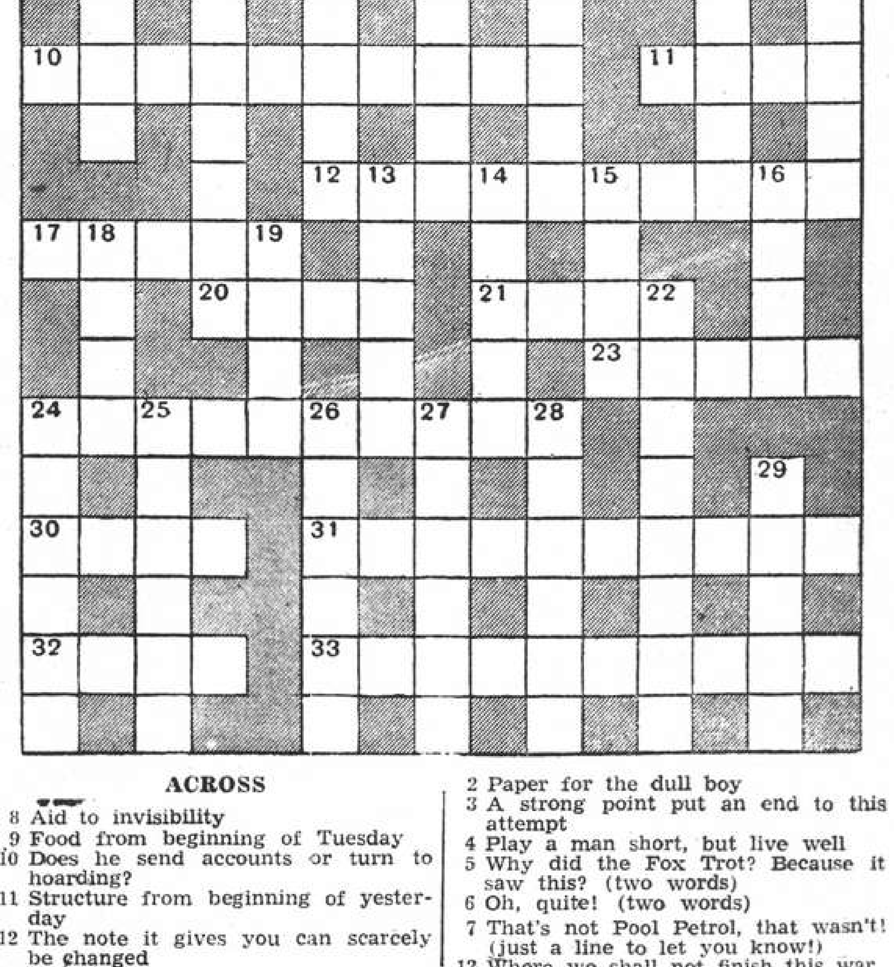

ACROSS

8 Aid to invisibility
9 Food from beginning of Tuesday
10 Does he send accounts or turn to hoarding?
11 Structure from beginning of yesterday
12 The note it gives you can scarcely be changed
17 Abstract from tales
20 What start of 10 across has to be
21 Usually in the soup
23 And so is this
24 Maybe the state of the man who could never see his way to take the pledge (two words)
30 While flourishing one might turn to this dish
31 They should have put his memorial in Fleet Street (two words)
32 An animal comes to be lazy
33 Indication of a flat tyre? (two words)

DOWN

1 When she's very dark men are carried away by her
2 Paper for the dull boy
3 A strong point put an end to this attempt
4 Play a man short, but live well
5 Why did the Fox Trot? Because it saw this? (two words)
6 Oh, quite! (two words)
7 That's not Pool Petrol, that wasn't! (just a line to let you know!)
13 Where we shall not finish this war
14 Famous Scandinavian
15 Annoy, but not entirely
16 Can be second half of 24 across and just keeps chattering
18 Bird from 17 across
19 To do so seems to be the idea in applauding
22 Let's cast differently
24 It shows an ephemeral film
25 Held up in traffic? (three words)
26 Not being very generous in distribution
27 Sort of thing that doesn't make the best of pickings
28 This often has the bark inside
29 4 down may be a bit of this

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 1. Secret weapon; 9, Abusive; 10, At peace; 11, Leer; 12, Lathe; 13, Coon; 16, Detroit; 17, Rat-trap; 18, Outpace; 21, Tripper; 23, Reel; 24, Offer; 25, Pass; 28, Elation; 29, Atlanta; 30, Thinking hard. DOWN: 1, Student; 2, Chip; 3, Elegant; 4, Weather; 5, Alps; 6, On a tour; 7, Called to order; 8, Keen sportsman; 14, Foray; 15, Strip; 19, The wash; 20, Effendi; 21, Trepang; 22, Planned; 26, Lion; 27, Plea.